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Thu	0330	WRMI	9955 [confirmed on webcast]
Thu	2101	WTWW	9479 [confirmed]
Fri	0326v	WWRB	5050 [confirmed at 0329 on webcast]
Sat	0200v	WBCQ	5110v-CUSB Area 51 [confirmed at 0232 on webcast]
Sat	0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [confirmed last week]
Sat	1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat	1500	WRMI	9955
Sat	2330v	WTWW	9930 [apparently canceled?]
Sun	0401	WTWW	5830
Sun	2330v	WTWW	9930 [last week instead Mon 0004 on 5085]
Tue	1100	WRMI	9955
Wed	0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [unconfirmed]
Wed	1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [unconfirmed]
Thu	0330	WRMI	9955 [or maybe 1685 if ready in time]

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** AFGHANISTAN. INDIA HELPING AFGHAN STATE BROADCASTER TO LAUNCH NEWS TV | Text of report by Indian broadcast industry website Indiantelevision.com on 27 August

New Delhi: Afghanistan will have a news channel run by the public service Radio and Television Afghanistan (RTA) in the next three months, which is expected to get technical help from [Indian public broadcaster] Prasar Bharati.

RTA today signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Prasar Bharati which will enable the two public service broadcasters to exchange programmes and India will extend help to Afghanistan in infrastructure.

The MoU was signed by RTA director-general Zarin Anzor and his counterpart in Prasar Bharati, Jawhar Sircar. Abdul Rahman Panjshiri, head of international relations in Afghanistan, was also present, apart from All India Radio director-general L D Mandloi and other officials.

The news channel will initially telecast news for six hours but will gradually become 24x7 channel.

Afghanistan will send ten journalists and editors to India for training with the public service broadcaster to upgrade their talent pool, particularly, for their proposed news channel.

An MoU was signed by him and CEO, Prasar Bharati on 27 [August] to further strengthen bilateral cooperation between the two countries in the field of broadcasting.

As part of its programme of development and reconstruction of war-ravaged Afghanistan, the government has already been providing assistance in the field of broadcasting and telecommunication and implemented several projects in various parts of Afghanistan. Sircar said that Prasar Bharati has been helping Afghanistan earlier on an ad hoc basis, but this agreement formalized the framework.

A number of transmission towers and television studios with modern equipment have been provided.

RTA has a network of 24 TV transmitters with downlink facilities at various parts, one 100 kW shortwave transmitter with seven antennas catering service to its neighbouring countries and one uplink earth station in Kabul providing connectivity.

The Afghan delegation requested Prasar Bharati and the Broadcast Engineering Consultants (India) Ltd. (BECIL) to help in repair and maintenance of the existing transmission facilities such as uplink, shortwave transmitter, and TV network.

As there are lot of similarities in Indian and Afghan culture, RTA is very keen to have Indian programmes related to serials, documentaries, scientific programmes, films, etc.

[Indian public TV] Doordarshan has already agreed to send two senior TV producers to RTA to help improving the quality and bring creativeness and innovations in their home productions. Prasar Bharati has accepted the requests from RTA and has assured it all possible help in achieving their goals.

Addressing media persons, Anzor said the Afghans are very fond of Indian films and understand Hindi and Urdu. However, he agreed that its radio wing could take programmes in Dari and Pashto languages from the External Services of All India Radio [AIR].

Sircar said that the exchange of programmes would be on a "gratis basis" and India will bear the costs. There were possibilities of

production as well, he added.

Panjshiri said shortwave signals were not dissipated, and so AIR should be able to provide signals in medium wave or FM as Voice of America was doing. He said that Afghanistan would also like to learn from the Indian experience in Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM).

He said Afghanistan today had 40 TV channels, four FM channels, and eight AM transmitters - in the private and public sector. There are five private news agencies apart from one run by the government.

Anzor admitted that there had been lack of communication, when it was pointed out to him that Afghanistan could pick up the streaming of AIR bulletins from its website and broadcast this in that country.

Source: Indiantelevision.com website, Mumbai, in English 27 Aug 13
(via BBC Monitoring via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

PRASAR BHARATI TO ASSIST AFGHANISTAN IN STARTING NEWS CHANNEL

Prasar Bharati will assist the Afghan government broadcaster - Radio and Television Afghanistan (RTA) to start a news channel in the war-ravaged country. Excerpts:

RTA Director General Zarin Anzor and A R Panjshiri, Afghanistan's head of International Relations met Prasar Bharati CEO Jawhar Sircar and also sought help in repair and maintenance of their existing transmission facilities such as uplink, short wave transmitter and TV network.

The RTA has a network of 24 TV transmitter with downlink facilities, one 100 kw short wave transmitter with 7 antennae catering service to its neighbouring countries and one uplink station in Kabul providing connectivity.

More at:
http://tinyurl.com/m25h6nt
(via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Aug 27, dx_sasia yg via DXLD)

Note shortwave reference! IIRC, India previously helped RTA to revive the SW service, but not for long. Maybe it will come back for a while again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS. 4760, AIR Port Blair (presumed), 1207-1220, August 25. The best reception in many months; subcontinent music and singing; sounded to be in Hindi; possible advertisement; poor. In another month or two should be doing much better. Thanks to a tip from Dave Valko, who tentatively saw a signal from them August 24 at 2335

(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGUILLA. 23550, University Network; 1913, 20-Aug; Dead Dr. Gene droning away. SIO=132 with on-off buzz QRM. // 11775 x 2 harmonic; SIO=3+44. There, but very weak at 1413, 21-Aug w/DDG (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Ah! Must look for that and other harmonix on 23-25 MHz, twice the 11 MHz band, four times the 6 MHz band (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476, LRA36, R Nacional Arc·ngel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza, 1830-2050, Tue Aug 13 and Fri Aug 16, programmes in Spanish, talks about Argentina, playing famous Argentine pop/rock songs, some full IDs every now and then; quite weak at tune in, but becoming stronger around 1900 with a peak around 2000 (S6-7 on the PERSEUS SDR), after that becoming a lot weaker, lost in the noise around 2050 (s/off?); at its peak it was 34433 (Per Eriksson, Malmˆ, Sweden and Harald Kuhl, Gˆttingen, Germany, DSWCI DX Window August 21 via DXLD)

[and non]. LRA36 15476, 1927 UT Aug 22. Eben noch Gesang mit weiblicher Stimme, Jetzt spricht eine Dame in Spanisch. O=2-3.

Hab jetzt mal meinen Perseus online gestellt. Empfang am besten mit Preselector off. Preamplifier on, SAM mit ca. 4,3 kHz BB. Passband relativ weit nach LSB verschoben. ... ich wuerde die AGC anlassen (Clemens Paul-D DL4RAJ, A-DX Aug 22 via BC-DX Aug 29 via DXLD)

LRA36, 15476.007, Genauso mit diesen Einstellungen habe ich im St. Gallener remote Perseus mitgehoert. Um 1940 UT Aug 22. Im Juli war das Signal staerker. Heute Abend ist auch RAE Buenos Aires auf 15344.823 ... wandernd x.832 kHz - noch - sehr schwach.

Beiliegend ein Mitschnitt von LRA36 um 1940 UT auf dem Perseus am Bodensee. Hart an der Grasnarbe - Threshold level (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 29 via DXLD)

Last night around 1930 UT I was able to catch here in Romania an audible signal from LRA36 Antarctica, as you can see in these two recordings I made:
http://youtu.be/clMZqAo5KOY
http://youtu.be/uEpcdAtnOvo

The signal could've been even better earlier (1900-1915 UT), but unfortunately between 15475 and 15485 kHz there was a strong bubble of spurs generated by the Voice of Iran transmitter in Kalamabad

broadcasting its daily Hausa program on 15550 kHz (1830-1927 UT).

BBC Arabic on nearby 15480 kHz was rather weak last night. 73! (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), Aug 23, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Quite a good signal from the Argentine station LRA36 Radio Nacional in Antarctica on 15476 from tune in just after 2000 UT tonight. Weak but clear, mostly with music interspersed by short talks in Spanish. Scheduled 1800-2100 Mon-Fri only. 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham, UK, AOR7030+ 25m long wire, Aug 23, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

LRA 36 en el aire --- Llegando con algo de ruido o deformaciÛn en el audio pero bastante audible, 15476 AM/N[arrow] (Para evitar interferencia BBC [Arabic 15480]) (Ernesto Paulero, Agentina, 1907 UT Aug 27, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

15476, 28/Aug 1857, LRA36 in Spanish. OM and YL alternate in talk. Argentine pop music. IDs by OM. Strong QRM from BBC on 15480. [Audio:] http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006/25933935
73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14¥S 38 58¥W - Brasil, Degen 1103 - All listening in mode of filter Narrow the 4 kHz. Dipole antenna, 25 meters - east/west
Escutas (listening, my blog): http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006
The best of Brazilian music: http://www.novabrasilfm.com.br/
A bit of my city:
http://www.skyscrapercity.com/showthread.php?t=1443186
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. Sintonia: Radio Rubi 1670 kHz --- Num fading bastante consider·vel, ouvi em S„o Bernardo:

1670 kHz ARGENTINA: Radio Rubi (tentativo), Rafael Castillo, La Matanza, Buenos Aires, 22/08 0112. Sequencia musical de canÁıes populares, locuÁ„o por YL. Hoje ëvendoí algumas gravaÁıes de ·udio desta emissora no YouTube, encontrei a inconfundÌvel voz feminina da Radio Rubi, ouvida na quarta-feira ˙ltima, de 25532 a 45544 (Rudolf Grimm, S„o Bernardo SP, Aug 24, Rx: Icom IC-R75 / Ant.: PA0RDT Mini-Whip, 9.5 m do solo, http://dxways-br.blogspot.com DX Clube do Brasil http://www.ondascurtas.com --- radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA [and non]. Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot: 11710.710, just a peak of RAE Buenos Aires visible, in otherwise covered DRM signal of AIR in 11710.2 to 11720.2 kHz range, 0130-0230 UT, S=9 signal strength of DRM Delhi (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15344.91, RAE, 2126, noted in passing with Latin music, ID by man as "RAE" (though it sounded more like "rye"). Fluttery but good. 23/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, Rae as a pronounced initialism in Spanish comes out like ``rye`` in English, but trrrilled (gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. 4835, VL8A Alice Springs NT, 1149, August 24. Fair with live coverage of Bombers and Blues AFL matchup; // ABC on 2325 (poor) and 2485 (poor); also // to RA on 5995 (poor), 6080 (poor-fair), 6140 (fair - via Singapore), 6150 (fair), 9580 (good) and 12065 (good); after 1200 RA ended sports coverage with news and music show, while ABC had full coverage; game still going at 1211 tune out (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 12065, Radio Australia (list log); 1520-1526:46*, 21-Aug; Totally weird English docudrama about a princess who walked around with her legs apart and a man who thought his rear end was made of glass, complete with dramatic music inserts. (I am not making this up.) Off abruptly in mid-weirdness. RA is the only station listed on 12065, and at this time with 1530* in Aoki. Only hint it was them--it was 2 women with heavy D.U. accents. SIO=353 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The Wednesday 15-16 UT program on RA from RN is `Hindsight`, and this was the episode:
http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/hindsight/the-glass-piano/4889156

``The Glass Piano
    Listen now   Download audio   Sunday 18 August 2013 1:05PM

When she was 23 years old, Princess Alexandra Amelie of Bavaria (1826-1875) was observed walking awkwardly sideways down the corridors of her family palace.

Princess Alexandra of Bavaria Image: Princess Alexandra Amelie of Bavaria (1826-1875), who believed she'd swallowed a glass piano (Joseph Karl Stieler [Public domain], via Wikimedia Commons)

When questioned by her worried royal parents, she announced that she had swallowed a glass grand piano. The Glass Piano examines this bizarre tale, combining speculation about the Princess's thoughts and actions with historical records of melancholia and mental delusion. British writer and poet Deborah Levy speaks with psychoanalyst Susie Orbach, historian Erin Sullivan and Consultant in Emergency Medicine,

Dr Fiona Lecky.

Delusions of being made from glass were quite popular in the 16th century. The stories are extraordinary and include "The Lawyer Made From Glass", by Cervantes which tells of a man who believed his body was made from glass. He wears loose clothing, sleeps in straw, walks in the middle of the road to avoid injury from falling roof tiles, and is so scared of people approaching him when they give him food, he fixes a bucket to the end of a pole so fruit can be deposited in it.

A production from Just Radio - the music in this feature was composed and arranged by Chris O'Shaughnessy, and Princess Alexandra is played by Emily Watson`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11835, RA (Shepparton) 1518+ 24 Aug. "Saturday Night Country" host Catherine Britt took C&W to a new level by playing Billie Holiday "Strange Fruit" followed by Patsy Cline "Crazy"; what a nice surprise! (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/9m X wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6150, August 26 at 1230, RA now in the clear! As RHC has moved to 6125, but that could be accidental. Cuba was on 6150 first, and I could not dissuade RA from 6150 too in A-13. RA also on always best 9580 and 12065, plus audible on weak // 6080, 9475. See also CUBA.

It`s Monday, so `Reah Vision` is discussing the uncertain future for wrestling as an Olympic sport; mid-break at 1241 refers to show being on Radio National, online and podcast, but *no* mention of R. Australia. Does hostess not know she is still on SW, or has been instructed to omit RA references? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 15340, August 25 at 1305, HCJB loud and clear bigsig with South Asian songs, certainly sounding secular, but I don`t understand a word of Punjabi; RHC doesn`t cut on until *1315 blocking Bhojpuri, a late Sunday start, much bigger sig with only a bit of Kununurra audible underneath (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 12362-USB, Aug 26 at 1255, marine weather forecasts as far ahead as Aug 29; well-enunciated Oz accent, but can`t catch arcane coastal location headers. This is VMW from Wiluna, Western Australia. A much weaker unreadable signal is on 12365-USB, no doubt its sibling VMC in Charleville, Queensland doing the same thing. See http://www.bom.gov.au/marine/marine_weather_radio.shtml as Bill Hepburn`s dxinfocentre still hasn`t added marine weather info outside Canada (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AZERBAIJAN. An unidentified station probably in Azeri with awful

audio and modulation (not Voice of Talyshistan), was observed again on Wed, August 21, 1100-1300 on 9677.6 SPK 010 kW / non-dir to CeAs, QRM ROU German 1200-1256. 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 15505, August 22 at 1357, tone from BB; 1358.5 starts IS, timesignal ends only 0.5 second early before 1400, opening theme and Urdu, all very poor.

15505, August 23 at 1357, very poor signal from BB but tone test is audible, 1358:30 IS starts, 1400:11.5 timesignal concludes, opening Urdu.

15505, August 28 at 1355, continuous tone from Bangladesh Betar, very poor with flutter. Still tone past 1359 when IS is normally running; 1359:50 finally starts IS, but only part of it is heard before faded out at 1400:11 for opening Urdu, and no timesignal audible in between (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4700, R. SAN MIGUEL, 26/08 0012 UT. Hombre habla acerca de Dios en espaÒol. SeÒal con baja modulaciÛn y SINPO: 33333 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

4699.97, R. San Miguel, 1130, poor with local vocals, someone else 530 Hz high side but couldn't pull any audio. Timewave notch a help. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.7, R. YURA, 26/08 0016 UT. CanciÛn ìTata Intiî de los Kjarkas en quechua y castellano con baja modulaciÛn y SINPO: 33333 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

4716.7, R. Yura, 1120, presumed; poor with m˙sica folclÛrica; under heavy two-way traffic. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5580.3, R. San JosÈ? Someone here, JBA at 1111. Diction makes me think this was Spanish, but it was so weak I cannot be sure. Has anyone heard this station during the local morning session? 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.51, R. Pio Doce, 1030, mensajes or similar, many mentions of "La Paz." Fair-good. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.825, Radio Santa Cruz, 0130-0145, At tune in, noted a program of Mexican Dance Music. Between the selections, a canned ID by a male is heard, "... Santa Cruz ..." Signal was good (Chuck Bolland, August 24, 2013, Excalibur, 26N 081W, Clewiston FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.8, R. SANTA CRUZ, 26/08 0105 UT. EmisiÛn de m˙sica pop de los 80ís en inglÈs con tendencia a la sobremodulaciÛn con SINPO: 54454 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

6134.72, R. Santa Cruz, 1045, throwing a huge het against nominal and partially readable in LSB, with music punching through but speech mostly washed out. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Uma das R·dios que eu usava como referÍncia de propagaÁ„o (sensibilidade) nos meus receptores, sumiu do dial desde o ano passado. Essa r·dio acho que n„o volta mais. … a R·dio Educadora de Limeira, 2380 kHz. VocÍ aÌ em Limeira nunca mais a sintonizou nos 2380? Desde o ano passado nunca mais a captei por aqui. Acabou mesmo?? Se puderes, dÍ uma reportagem pr· nÛs, OK? AbraÁo, (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia - Goi·s, 22 Aug, radioescutas yg via DXLD) 2380 gone for good?

** BRAZIL. 4865, R. ALVORADA, 26/08 0208 UT. Avisos, en portuguÈs, sobre el dÌa del catequista de la Iglesia CatÛlica de Londrina. SeÒal con buena modulaciÛn

4885, R. DIFUSORA ACREANA, 26/08 0152 UT. M˙sica en idioma portuguÈs e inglÈs de tipo pop, chequeada con el sitio TUNEIN, debido a que no se identificÛ en m·s de media hora. SeÒal con buena modulaciÛn y SINPO: 54444 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Re: ITATIAIA 5970 kHz --- Ol· Colegas, H· mais ou menos um mes que a R·dio Itatiaia 5970 kHz est· fora do ar. Ser· que maus ventos sopraram por aquelas bandas?? Uma Ûtima emissora como ela È, n„o pode ficar fora do ar. AbraÁo, (C·ssio Santos, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

SER¡ MAIS UMA QUE CORTAR¡ AS ONDAS CURTAS?? ESPEREMOS QUE OS TX ESTEJAM EM MANUTEN«√O. TENHO NOTADO ESSA AUS NCIA NOS 5970 kHz (LUIZ CHAINE NETO, LIMEIRA SP, 22-8-2013, radio escutas yg via DXLD)

Ol· LuÌz, Tenho monitorado a Itatiaia 5970 kHz h· mais ou menos 15 dias. Espero muito, que seja sÛ manutenÁ„o. Inclusive foi atÈ bom vocÍ

enviar esse email (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia - Goi·s, 22 August, radio escutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

Mais uma emissora que acha as ondas curtas obsoletas. Meteram o pÈ na tomada dos seus TX de ondas curtas. Fazer o quÍ? Nessas emissoras, cuja diretoria n„o afeita a dirigir uma emissora de r·dio, sÛ pode acontecer isso (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, ibid.)

ITATIAIA 5970 kHz a volta!! Ol· Colegas, Muito forte, e limpo, o sinal da R·dio Itatiaia 5970 aqui no centro de Goi,nia-Goi·s. Com a antena telescÛpica do r·dio reduzida no mÌnimo. SINPO 33333. Com antena no "m·ximo" 55555 (C·ssio Santos - Goi,nia-Goi·s, Aug 24 ibid., WORLD OF RADIO 1684)

Site - Contato - Assunto: freq 5.970 mhz
Nome: Sergio Ricardo Faria Leite
Sexy: Masculino
Telefone: 13 34646940
Cidade: S„o Vicente
Estado: S„o Paulo
Assunto: freq 5.970 mhz
Mensagem:

Boa, gostaria de saber: n„o estou escutando a R·dio Itatiaia na freq. 5970 faz ums dias; gostaria de saber de vocÍs se a radio est· em manutenÁ„o o brigado. Fico no aguardo

(SÈrgio R Faia Leite, end armando vitorio bei n∫ 16 casa cidade: s„o Vicente, estado de s„o Paulo, cep 11365-030, copy of his online form inquiry to station, via radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD) Reply:

Est·vamos temporariamente com o sinal desligado, mas a situaÁ„o j· est· normalizada. Att,

Assessoria de ComunicaÁ„o Luciani Oliveira Tel
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http://www.itatiaia.com.br/
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Prezados companheiros, Informei aqui na lista a situaÁao da Radio itatiaia ou seja que estaria desligando o transmissor de ondas curtas sem previsao de ligamento novamente.

Esta foi a informaÁ„o que tive em uma ligaÁ„o telefÛnica que fiz para HF da r·dio, porÈm, hoje de manh„ tive a grata satisfaÁ„o de ver que

novamente voltou a operar em ondas curtas.

Informo a todos que liguei hoje novamente ‡s 9:05 horas e que o funcion·rio disse que voltaram atr·s e resolveram ligar os transmissores novamente.

Mas pelo andar da carruagem, acredito que n„o v„o operar por muito tempo. Portanto se torna importante nossas mensagens no site da empresa no sentido de sensibilizar a diretoria da r·dio a manter as onda curtas. AbraÁo e bom final de semana a todos (Adelson - Unai MG, ibid.)

Radio Itatiaia normalizou as ondas curtas de 49 m -- 5970 kHz. Neste domingo(25) acompanhei AtlÈtico x Portuguesa (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, Aug 25, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. Salve, dexistas! A RB2 - herdeira da R·dio Clube Paranaense AM, a primeira estaÁ„o de r·dio do Paran· - est· distribuindo carteirinhas de ouvinte oficial. Para ganhar, basta fazer o cadastro no site da r·dio
http://www.radiorb2.com.br
e anexar uma foto. A carteirinha com a foto impressa vem pelo correio e d· direito a participar de sorteios da r·dio. … de graÁa.

Como eles pretendem retornar com a onda curta em dezembro, acho importante que muitos ouvintes de fora de Curitiba faÁam esse cadastro solicitando a carteirinha. Servir· de estÌmulo para o retorno da OC. Isso vale principalmente para os mais antigos - a "Velha Guarda" do dexismo brasileiro, na qual me incluo - porque um dos itens do question·rio È "ouve a r·dio desde quando".

Os amigos de fora do Brasil poderiam tambÈm solicitar a carteirinha pelo site. Embora eu n„o saiba dizer se eles v„o mandar pelo correio internacional, certamente servir· para chamar a atenÁ„o do povo por l·. A minha carteirinha chegou hoje. Ouvinte desde 1981. 73s, (Valter Aguiar, Curitiba-PR, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Hello everyone, Very strong distorted signal around 11780 - 11800 heard; seems to be R·dio Nacional AmazÙnia on 11780. Funny thing, it gets almost audible when you tune in FM mode. Very strong and splatters on both sides on the area through the 25 meter band. Heard at 2315 UT (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, Aug 28, http://www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Most of the energy is centered around 11790 (Don Moman, AB, 2329 UT Aug 28, with Perseus screenshot, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, I've noticed from about 11770 to 11820. I can hear the splatter; it seems centered about 11791, quite strong into Montreal. 73 (Gilles Letourneau, 2350 UT, ibid.)

Now the afternoon there was a blackout in the Northeast of Brazil and can also have reached BrasÌlia, where is the transmitter of the RNA, causing some technical defect. Here in Feira de Santana, the electric energy returned at 2200. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Bahia, 0024 UT Aug 29, ibid.)

Radio Nacional de Amazonia 11780 KHz --- Hola JosÈ ElÌas, podrÌas chequear; la seÒal parece estar totalmente desmodulada, la escucho desde los 11780 a 11800. Ahora con un partido de futebol, parece (Rafael RodrÌguez, Colombia, 0152 UT Aug 29, condiglista yg via DXLD

Totalmente cierto tu comentario, amigo Rafael (JE DÌaz GÛmez, Venezuela, 0155 UT Aug 29, ibid.)

O problema se deu depois de um apag„o, blackout, aqui no nordeste brasileiro e que pode ter atingido a cidade de BrasÌlia onde os transmissores da RNA est„o. O problema surgiu depois que a energia elÈtrica voltou. Aqui em meu QTH faltou energia elÈtrica por volta das 1600 as 1900 horas de BrasÌlia. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, ibid.)

11780, 29/Aug 1805, RNA in Portuguese. Normal signal and without distortion. Now, signal almost local in my QTH (Jorge Freitas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. 9700, Overcomer Ministry, 2117, "Brother Scare" talking about how we are all condemned to "go to hell". (I didn't know he had access to God's Rolodex lol.) 23/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Changes at 930 CFBC --- This news from our friend at the ABDX:- ``930 CFBC Saint John NB, has changed format from oldies/classic hits to classic country. Phil Rafuse, VY2PR, Stratford PE Canada`` Best wishes (Barry :-) Davies, Carlisle UK, Aug 26, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

Hi, Heard them at 0358 UT on 24 August - no wonder I never recognised the "oldies" but still the same ID by OM "93 - CFBC". 73's (John Williams, Hemel, Hempstead, AOR 7030 + Flag Antenna, ibid.)

** CANADA. Canadian news (via Dan Sys, Shawn Axelrod, WRTH):
990, CHRF, QC Montreal ñ CP for new station applies for U4 50000/10000, on 980 kHz (where Montreal 990 once was, 20+ years ago).

1610, New, QC, Montreal ñ Application for new station, U1(?) 1000/1000, ETH format, ìRadio Humsafarî (south Asian). (AM Switch, NRC DX News Aug 19 via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD) That`s the frequency recently abandoned by CJWI moving to 1410 (gh, ibid.)

** CANADA. August 24 heard AM 1060 - Calgary still with C&W songs at 1144; whereas 6030 was covered by CNR1 (which by 1348 also had Firedrake music jamming) (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA [and non]. 6069.953, CFRX Toronto, endless talk by two men at 0840 UT Aug 22, S=7 level in remote unit at CA-US, probably adjacent a much weaker station on 6070.010, likely R Capital Rio de Janeiro, RJ (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6160-, August 22 at 1230, JBA carrier slightly on the lo side compared to 1160. Suspected Asian remnant since should be getting more from CKZU, now closed down? But Walt Salmaniw, Victoria says it was still on nine hours earlier: ``Excellent reception except for 6165 [Cuba] splatter, from Vancouver // CBU 690 at 0333 22Aug2013``. And it so happens that Aoki lists no Asians on 6160 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Huh? 'ZU on air ~2240 UT as normal, monitored in Metro Vancouver. TD (Theo Donnelly, BC, August 22, ptsw yg via DXLD)

Huh? He hasn`t read previous DXLD (gh, DXLD)

Two Canadian SW stations very close together at 0850 UT on frequencies 6159.966, Guitar singer on CKZU St. Johns on eastern coast, and 6159.979, CKZN Vancouver on west coast, with humor laughing talk program (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Using various remote receivers, got the calls reversed again but hope not the frequencies (gh)

6160, August 23 at 0519, Public Radio International break ID in news-in-depth program, so it`s `The World` which is delayed a semi-day on CBC Radio One to 2:05 am local time, so this is CKZN Newfoundland (*2:35 NDT), not CKZU BC where it`s only 10+ pm PDT.

Has CKZU been turned off yet, as CBC has requested and been okayed by CRTC? I am only hearing one audio, but there is a fast SAH as if the CKZU carrier at least is still on, but much weaker; the two are never zero-beat. The night before, Wolfgang B¸schel found them 13 Hz apart, both on low side. A Brazilian could also be the source, while 20 kW Monchegorsk, Russia is unlikely to propagate at this hour, tho it is aimed 335 degrees USward per Aoki. ACI from 6165 RHC is diminished

during its talk rather than music segments. We`ll rely on Walt Salmaniw, Don Moman or others in the area to confirm when CKZU be really kaput (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, Thanks to Walt and others - to mention the \\ 690 kHz mediumwave outlet, it's an very EASY task to hear und IDENTIFY both CBC programs on various remote Perseus units in the US, - on east coast NY and up to central, Toronto or IL, -- as well as on western coast WA-state close to Seattle, in 22-23 UT slot tonight.

6159.959, CKZN St. John`s,
and
6159.982, CKZU Vancouver shortwave is still on air at 2200 UT, latter with S=8-9 signal in WA-US, \\ 690 kHz at same armchair level.

6160 have different programs, and St. John`s heard on east coast and central parts, Vancouver heard only in northern CA / WA Seattle area. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The programming is normally 4 hours later on CKZU than on CKZN, EXCEPT for live news on the hour when they are // but an echo apart.

It is not so easy to hear CKZU here any more on my own radios, which is the way I prefer to do it. Vancouver used to be regular around sunrise. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Well not exactly, Wolfy. The network news at the TOH should be identical besides satellite delays, so for 4 or 5 minutes each hour, they should be in parallel. 73 (Walt Salmaniw, BC, ibid.)

[CKZU] On air as normal ~0445 UT Sun 25 Aug/9.45 pm PDT Sat 24 Aug. (Theo Donnelly, Burnaby, BC, ODXA yg via DXLD)

[and non]. 6159.97, CKZU ñ Vancouver, 1138, August 24. Item regarding the new feature film ìWarsaw Rising,î about the uprising at the end of WWII; poor-fair with adjacent QRM; // AM 690 (fair). SW still on! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

August 25, at 1200 was unable to confirm any signal on 6159.97 (if on, was well below threshold level - could not confirm open carrier!), but AM 690 was fair with the news. At 1307 had decent reception from Vancouver on 6159.97 with news and sports, while I was then unable to hear AM 690. So SW continues being broadcast, but reception varies a great deal (Ron Howard, CA, ibid.)

FYI, My mail to German Newsgroup:

Both CBC stations are below 6160.0, Vancouver being somewhat higher than St. Johns swings with 13 to 24 hertz upper. Now at around 2030 UT Aug 26 in Perseus on Vancouver BC

ionacoast.dyndns.org
IP 24.84.56.123
in Vancouver, British Col. / CAN
still S = 9 +15 to +20 dBm

on 6159.982 kHz. 73 wb

----- Original Message -----
From: "Wolfgang Bueschel" Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 10:33 PM
Subject: Re: [A-DX] Radioeins.de: Kanada, Kurzwelle

Das eine ist die Genehmigungs B¸rokratie, das andere sind die Techniker vor Ort. Mit den verschiedenen remote Receivern kannst Du sowohl St. Johns an der Ostk¸ste, oder Vancover an der Westk¸ste CA/WA states hier aus dem heimischen PC schˆn mithˆren. Und mit 690 kHz vergleichen, beide Vancouver Signale sind dort S8-9, also fast armchair level.

Ich habe in den vergangenen Tagen zusammen mit Glenn, Ron und Walt Salmaniw immer mit den Logs in Austausch gestanden. Die Kurzwelle Vancouver ist immer noch in der Luft... in dxld wurde s¸ffisant kommentiert, die Stromkosten daf¸r w¸rden sich noch unterhalb der Kosten des sozialen Kaffee-Service f¸r die CBC Funkhausbelegschaft bewegen.

Sekundengenau habe ich beide - MW und SW nicht verglichen -, da m¸sste man noch eine andere SDR Console in WA-state / Vancouver anzapfen - und dann bleiben immer noch die Netz/PC zeitlichen Delays ... ist wohl dann nicht sehr aussagekr%ftig, aber mit der schnellen Umschalt Fiddelei beim Perseus habe ich zumindest mal die gleichen Programme auf 690 und 6160 best%tigen kˆnnen.

Laut Glenn wird bei CBC (%hnlich wie bei den Radio Rossii Aussendungen in Russland) je nach Zeitzone, das Programm aus St.Johns dann 4 Stunden zeitverzˆgert sp%ter in Vancouver ausgestrahlt,
http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zeitzonen_in_Kanada
http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/6/64/UTC_hue4map_CAN.png/300px-UTC_hue4map_CAN.png

Beide CBC Sender liegen unterhalb 6160.0, wobei Vancouver mit 13 bis 24 Hertz etwas hˆher als St. Johns schwingt.

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73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, A-DX via wb, DXLD)

6159.97, CKZU ñ Vancouver; August 26 continues broadcasting on AM & SW. This after news that CBC has approval the shutdown of CKZU. Will it really happen and if so when?

At 1248 heard AM 690 with local traffic conditions for Vancouver with info about some road work being done; unable to make out even an open carrier on about 6159.97.

1400-1410: news on about 6159.97, as measured on my E1, whereas Wolfy measured more accurately today on 6159.982 via a Vancouver SDR receiver; then into local program with OM and YL chatting about things in Vancouver.

1502-1510: news again on SW (items about fire in Calif.; opposition leader Tom Mulcair meets with reporters this morning to promote his cross Canada campaign to abolish the Senate; "Open Farm Days" has opened farms and ranches to the public, etc.). Unable to hear AM 690. Audio at
https://app.box.com/s/o6410k6tdgqqq5mxcnju
(Ron Howard, San Francisco, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CKZU NOT GOING OFF THE AIR

Excerpts from the http://www.radiowest.ca/forum

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http://www.radiowest.ca/forum/viewtopic.php?p=12823906#p12823906
RadioWest.ca

Radio - Western Canada and the U.S. Pacific Northwest

[Previous discussion there follows:::]

[18]No More CBU on Shortwave

[19] Post by [20]jon ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 8:26 am
Buried amongst the usual deletion of 40 watt AM LPRTs in the list of CBC transmitters and towers being sold for scrap, this morning's CRTC decision also includes CKZU, CBU's long time shortwave transmitter. The original CBC application simply says that the transmitter was already off the air at the time of their application (to delete it from the license of CBU).

[25]Post by [26]skyvalleyradio ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 11:45 am
jon - I saw the approval to delete CKZU on this morning's CRTC releases. I wonder what CBC will do with the transmitter gear and what kind of shape it's in? How sad; I've been lucky enough in my life to pick up CKZU in both Jamaica and The Netherlands. However, as one who supports some belt-tightening at the CBC, I see this as a necessary cut. Too bad... Sky Valley Radio

[33]Post by [34]radiofan ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 4:38 pm

In the last year or so CBC did a major upgrade of the CBU site in Steveston. That is likely when they dumped the CKZU transmitting facility. Those who danced were thought to be quite insane by those who couldn't hear the music.

[39]Post by [40]Toomas Losin ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 6:57 pm

This must be one of those "already off the air" situations where management has issued a turn-off order but engineering hasn't acted yet.

CKZU is still on the air in parallel with CBU as I write this. Google Maps has a nice 45? view of the site at N49.13916 W123.19568 There isn't much to sell off, as CKZU's antenna is held up by four wooden utility poles. I suspect the largest operational cost is the maintenance to keep those sticks from rotting away or falling over. Is CKZN still active? It's also on 6160 so I've never heard it. Perhaps this is the chance to, unless the CBC is having a race with itself to turn both of them off.

[44]Post by [45]jon ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 7:11 pm
Interesting that CKZU is still on the air. Giving wrong information to the CRTC, no matter how minor, is never a good idea. A quick search of the CRTC decisions has CKZN listed on the May 28th decision to renew

the CBC's license. And no recent requests or decisions to delete them.

[50]Post by [51]Toomas Losin ? Thu Aug 15, 2013 10:31 pm
Thanks. Spectrum Direct doesn't have a listing for CKZN, only listing CKZU on 6160. That doesn't look good! Looking at the CKZN transmitter site with online maps shows a single tower for CBN and a folded dipole plus reflector for CKZN just like what CKZU has. The resolution isn't good enough to show the antenna wires but the azimuth look similar to CKZU's antenna, in this case pointing towards northern QuÈbec. Thanks to the curvature of the earth the Lower Mainland might get a bit of that if the beam is broad enough. [target of CKZN is Labrador --- gh]

[55]Post by [56]xwdcatvb ? Sun Aug 25, 2013 5:11 pm

Now that I see this CKZU news has already been posted (egg on face), CKZN was horribly off-frequency for over a year (measured casually 6160.8 by my receiver in Burnaby) and caused havoc as darkness set in on the West Coast; noted by DXers far and wide. I grumbled to Mother Corp, so they knew of the problem interfering with 'ZU. Maybe no one else complained so they concluded no one was relying on 'ZU?! 'ZN if they were on frequency were identifiable as being received by the echo effect when both Vancouver and Newfoundland were taking CBC National News on Sunday evenings Pacific Time.

[60]Post by [61]xwdcatvb ? Sun Aug 25, 2013 5:27 pm
'ZU on air as of ~5.25 pm PDT Sun 25 Aug/0025 UT Mon 26 Aug.

[65]Post by [66]Toomas Losin ? Sun Aug 25, 2013 6:18 pm
Hush! If'n y'all call attention to it then CKZU won't have a chance to beat CKMO's unlicensed run from last year!

[70]Post by [71]xwdcatvb ? Sun Aug 25, 2013 6:25 pm
Rogers! Over and out... sorry.

[75]Post by [76]Toomas Losin ? Sun Aug 25, 2013 7:10 pm
Oops, I dropped the smiley. :-) If my math is correct then CKMO [900] had 96 days of open carrier before the transmitter was finally shut down but I don't know when its license was surrendered. CKZU has quite a ways to go to beat that!

[80]Post by [81]OnAir ? Mon Aug 26, 2013 9:49 am
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[85]Post by [86]jon ? Mon Aug 26, 2013 10:19 am
First of all, I believe you. And all the others here and elsewhere who

have said they heard CKZU in the last few days. I am, however, in need of a quotable source on the CKZU deletion being a CBC boo boo. I just started as an Editor for Wikipedia and find myself in the awkward position of having to leave misinformation that I wrote about CKZU because I have nothing to quote to the contrary that meets their Reference requirements. If all else fails, I can delete the shutdown information, but I'd rather correct it.

[91]Post by [92]xwdcatvb ? Tue Aug 27, 2013 2:27 pm
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I tried listening for it on 49 metres a few minutes ago (1755+ UT) but all I heard was a weak carrier (Bernhard Jatzeck, VA6BMJ, Alberta, Aug 28, who also sent link to above, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Same link also via coffee_canuck, DXLD --- probably Colin Newell (gh)

August 28 at 0517, Marco Werman`s familiar voice on `The World`, strumming music break. (ACI from 6165 Cuba not so bad during Arnie Coro`s deliberately degraded voice lacking highs as he presents an editorial ``Viewpoint`` on behalf of Castro & Castro.) 0518 PRI ID, so usual CKZN Newfoundland timing for this US radio program via CBC Radio One.

I am still not hearing CKZU Vancouver also on 6160, but closer monitors such as Ron Howard in CA confirm it`s still on, at least sporadically, and via Dan Say, we now have word that its closure was all a CBC HQ mistake by including it on a list of LPRTs to be deleted, moving from AM to FM, or already off. See this thread to the end:
http://www.radiowest.ca/forum/viewtopic.php?f=1&t=13777
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

http://nwbroadcasters.com/ see first item (also shown below)

08/28/13 - An email from Martin Marcotte, Director of Transmission for CBC, states the inclusion of shortwave CKZU 6160 kHz Vancouver in the application of July 12 and subsequent CRTC deletion approval released August 15 was incorrect and steps are being taken to re-instate the CRTC's authority for CKZU. The 1000-watt shortwave station, in operation since the 1940s, rebroadcasts the programming of CBU AM 690/FM 88.1 Vancouver. Aug. 15 CRTC notice (via Eric FlodÈn, BC?, Aug 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST; also via coffee_canuck, ibid., and IRCA)

Always interesting to see my wording quoted without attribution, but hey, at least the message is getting out. <grin> Thanks, Coffee Canuck (Theo Donnelly, BC, IRCA via DXLD)

Just the messenger! Had a killer CBC Vancouver tour today. Sent from my iPhone (coffee_canuck, ibid.)

CKZU Is Still On The Air --- I heard its signal here in Edmonton a few minutes ago (0027 - 0030 UT 2013-08-29) on 6160 kHz. The modulation was poor and erratic but I heard did the CBC news jingle at the bottom of the hour along with "from Vancouver", indicating that it was listening the CBU Radio One feed. 73s (Bernhard Jatzeck, VA6BMJ @ DO33FL, DX LISENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Haven't heard much talk of the RCI site in New Brunswick of late. Is it still in one piece waiting for a change of heart by Her Majesty's Broadcaster or has it already been torn down?? Just wondering (Bill Leal, Windsor, Aug 23, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Well, I just drove past it an hour ago and physically it is still all there! (Peter Van Harmelen, (Fall River, Nova Scotia), 2121 UT Aug 27, ibid.

Interesting. Thanks, Peter, for the report. Maybe Her Majesty is holding on to the site just in case Her broadcasting service has a change of mind. Her Majesty does seem to take a while to implement a decision and often will change a decision. A while back she was going to shut down a local Radio One outlet on AM. After letting the site sit and the tubes cool in the sender for a year or so it was suddenly brought back to life for the French service and the local AM signal for French was shut down; moving from .540 to 1.550 MHz. There is always hope until the last bash from the wrecking ball. Thanks again for the report (Bill Leal, VE3ES, ibid.)

** CANADA. 08/21/13, CFHD-47 in Montreal QC is on the air testing. Strong signal here. Branded as "ICI" (International Channel/Canal International)
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CFHD-DT
Uploaded capture on the forums:
http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?8446-CFHD-47-on-the-air&p=28489#post28489

TV-FM antenna: Channel Master 3671 @ 35 feet AG
FM receiver: SANGEAN HDT-1
TV: ZENITH DTT-901 + SONY HDTV
Scanner Antenna: Diamond Discone D130J @ 25 feet AG
Scanner: Uniden BC370CRS
ICOM R-8500 --- 73,
(Charles Gauthier, Brossard, QC (FN35 GL), Aug 21, WTFDA via DXLD)

Interesting, appreciated! For some reason it's looking as if Industry Canada has gotten rather slow in entering new operations into their online database (or in posting updated copies of the DB to their website). The current DB doesn't contain this station. On the other hand, a very recent FM changes in Quebec *is* in the current DB. Strange (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, Tvfmdx mailing list ibid.)

** CHINA. 15510, Firedrake 1400, 1500+ 20 Aug. Apparently a one-off by FD today with carrier blips/IADs at the beginning of the transmission, audio much steadier by 1500+. The "hi-fi" sidebands tended to mess up Bangladesh-15505 at *1400-1430* & *1515-1520 (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/9m X wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake [non] CNR1 jamming August 22, before 1300:
12870, poor at 1248
13530, good at 1248 vs CODAR
13830, poor at 1249
13970, fair at 1251
14700, poor at 1251 with hets
14980, good at 1251
15195, poor-fair at 1253 with echo and noise jamming too
15555, fair at 1252, het on hi side; no 16s, 17s or 18s

Before 1400 August 22:
13920, fair at 1339; none in the 12s, 14s, 15s, 16s, 17s, 18s

Firedrake [non] CNR1 jammers, August 23 before 1400:
15970, poor at 1355
15115, good at 1355 with usual CCI; only hets in the 15.5`s
14980, very poor at 1340; no others found 12-18 MHz
11500, poor at 1353; none in the 12s, 13s, 14s
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11555, et al. CNR 1 jammer, 1134, 8/24/13 in Mandarin. Man interviewing another man. Not sure what the target of jamming was on this frequency. Good. // 11640 vs R. Taiwan I. via Kouhu - fair; 11825 vs VoA via Tinang, PHL ñ Fair (Mark Taylor, Madison, WI, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grunding G5; 40 meter dipole, EWE, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet Aug 25 via DXLD)

6110, Firedrake and CNR1 jamming at 1223, August 24; fair against VOA. At same time also FD and CNR1 fair-good against RFA on 7470. Also FD and CNR1 on 6030 against SOH at 1348 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake [non], CNR1 jamming August 26 before 1300:

14700, fair with flutter at 1259; no time for a full scan this hour but no others encountered (have not heard real FD on 13795 lately).

CNR1 jamming August 26 after 1330:
16600, fair at 1335 with flutter; none in the 17s, 18s
15565 & 15550, poor with hets at 1337
15115, usual heavy collision at 1337
14800, very good at 1338; none in the 13s, 12s

Firedrake [and non], CNR1 jammer bandscan search Aug 27 from 1337 finds none at all in the 12s, 13s, 14s, 15s, 16s, 17s. Except maybe inband bits in the lo part of 15 MHz (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

/MARIANA ISL, 17495 Seldom heard real fiddle and tsching-bumm FIREDRAKE jamming from China mainland noted in 6-7 UT slot against RFA Tinian-MRA broadcast in Mandarin Chinese. 0630 UT Aug 28 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

Firedrake [non] CNR1 jamming August 28 before 1400:
16100, poor with flutter at 1345; no others 12-19 MHz except the usual 15 MHz inbanders weakly on 15115, 15195, 15265 against VOA, RFA, RTI, which normally were never FD. Until detected these against V of Tibet:
15540, very poor at 1355, het on hi side
15555, very poor at 1355, het on hi side
15570, very poor at 1355, het on lo side
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 6020, CNR8 ñ Mongolian Service, 1217, August 24. Continues to give occasional IDs in English: ìThis is China National Radio, Mongolian Service, Beijing, China National Radioî; fair-good (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. 9410, CNR5. Wonder of Wonders! Good, clear, crisp audio on August 22; the blob (extreme over modulation) was not heard at 1048 nor during subsequent checking; for a long time their broken tx rendered this frequency completely unusable; today could again finally hear (after 1100) Fu Hsing BS (Taiwan) underneath CNR5 and definitely // 9774 (15375 not heard). Will the fix last? On July 14, I also heard their tx with fixed audio, but that only last for one day and immediately went back to being over modulated again! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9410, August 22 at 1308, weak Chinese, but no noisy blob, so the CNR5 Beijing 491 transmitter must be back in whack today (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9410, CNR5, 1117, August 24 found the tx has indeed really been fixed; the blob is for real gone; nice audio quality; thus proving it was in fact the CNR5ís tx causing the noisy blob heard here recently and was not a product of CNR5 mixing with Taiwan which is also here (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9410, August 27 at 1215, big noise blob has resumed from Beijing 491 site supposed to be CNR5 service. I am suspecting CNR5 is sacrificed on occasions when evil Fu Hsing BS from Taiwan is detected active on 9410, 11-13 UT, i.e. converting this transmitter to jamming mode. Unlike the Cubans, the ChiCom are surely not so technically incompetent as to let this happen for any other reason. OTOH, the blobnoise is still on at 1343.

9410, August 28 before 1300, this is still a noise-blob day for the CNR5 transmitter in Beijing, total loss (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9500, Aug 25 at 1245, Strauss waltz, poor with flutter; 1248 Chinese announcement, so suspected CNR1`s Sunday night classical fare. HFCC registration shows only ``ADM`` from UAE site at 10-13, 500 kW, 315 degrees. But Aoki does have CNR1, 100 kW, 165 degrees from Shijiazhuang 723 site long before and after this hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 5909.95, Alcarav·n Radio, 1050, super strong with nice local music, ID by a man with mention of MW and "onda corta", into Bert Kaempfert instrumental. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO. (Republic), 6115, Radio Congo, 1745, French, good strength and decent modulation with talk by excited man over hilife bed. Into talk by a woman. 23/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. [Re 13-34:] MW Bandscan - Varadero, Cuba.

Hi Glenn, Thanks for confirming, filling the blanks in my bandscan.

Regarding 1350 CRCM --- I did hear the ID clearly. I did notice when checking a second time around 2000 UT, on another day during my stay there, that 3 stations from different networks broke away from their regular network feed and joined together for another broadcast. There were also a couple of frequencies where only carrier was present.

I seem to recall reading about these program/event specific network

feed changes, and carrier only situations, recently. I wonder if that was what happened with 1350 when I heard them. Regards, (Vincent Ferme, Ottawa, ON, Aug 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Apparently station name Radio Ciudad del Mar is abbr`d to ``RCM``, but CRCM could not be a real Cuban callsign unless it`s colonial Angola [non]. See http://www.rcm.cu/ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Thanks for the correction! They must have used "RCM" when IDing and I added the "C" for some reason. 73 de (Vince, ibid.)

** CUBA [and non]. 6000, August 23 at 0520, RHC English is loud & clear here, ex-6010, while the other four are all undermodulated: 5040, 6060, 6125, 6165.

15370, August 24 at 0040, open carrier at good level. Can`t be anything but RHC, not turned off after the Quechua service until 0030. Equivalent signal on 15120 from CRI relay, weaker RHC Spanish 15230, yet still the SSOBs with little else propagating on 19m.

15340, August 24 at 1353, RHC Spanish is axually underneath HCJB AUSTRALIA in presumed Hindi as scheduled daily 1330-1400, making SAH of about 5 Hz; unusual propagation, the pair now amounting to the SSOBs and almost the OSOBs.

15340, August 25 at *1315, RHC comes on late this Sunday overriding HCJB Australia which before then rated bigsig status. If frequency manager Prof. Coro does any monitoring, has he not yet noticed this collision, while plenty of clear spots exist on 19m? RHC`s start is rough, cutting off and back on, and then modulation cutting off and back on during music; 1320 `Correo Internacional` mailbag. Meanwhile another RHC frequency, 13780 remains silent this Sunday past 1332, in memory of El Hugazo Ch·vez. If 17580 be on, it`s not propagating.

15370, Aug 26 at 0054, open carrier again from RHC, not turning off the transmitter after Quechua finished at 0030, still on even later than last night. Meanwhile, countless Cubans go hungry while all this energy is wasted, let alone on jamming where mind-control is more important than nutrition.

6000, August 26 at 0457, RHC English frequency is missing. Previously it would have gone off around now to be replaced by 6010, not necessarily the same transmitter. It could still be that they need to switch transmitters for the final bihour. This clears 6005 for BBC; see UK; and 6010 for HJDH. At 0457, I also find that 6125 and 6165 are modulated OK in English, while 6060 still in Spanish is undermodulated. RHC English supposed to stay on 6000 until 0700, and found that back on air at 0531 check.

6125, whoopee! For the first time Aug 26 at 1229 with IS and ID, RHC Spanish is on here, instead of colliding with 6150 R. Australia [q.v.]; now RHC is atop some weaker CCI, no doubt CNR1 which is listed by Aoki and HFCC both from Beijing 572 site at 37 degrees USward, and from Shijiazhuang 723 site at 217 degrees, 100 kW each, Commies vs Commies vs Commies!

So Arnie finally gets away from RA after months of colliding, or is it an accident? With the slipshod RadioCuba operation you never know at first: 6125 is of course in use until 0700 for RHC English, and could be they simply forgot to retune the transmitter for the 1100+ broadcast. What will happen tomorrow?

15340, will Arnie also avoid the other Aussie, HCJB? No! Kununurra was OK until *1302 Aug 26 covered by RHC carrier, with usual opening procedure of cutting on and back off, then on again adding modulation in progress.

13780, RHC is also on today Monday Aug 26 at 1339, unlike yesterday. 17580 is audible fairly at 1334, but still no signal on 17730, the other 16m morning channel which I am concluding has been totally dropped.

Have any of these changes(?) been entered on RHC`s own schedule at
http://www.radiohc.cu/index.php/de-interes/frecuencias.html
? of course not! Yet, the English schedule has removed 6010 at
http://www.radiohc.cu/ing/of-interest/frequencies.html
but still hasn`t fixed a slight typo of ``1880`` for English to Africa at 23-24.

11840, August 27 at 0106, RHC Spanish with very lo modulation, no comparison to normal // 11760; // 15230 is also undermodulated and weaker.

6150, August 27 at 1210, RHC is back here on original frequency colliding with stronger R. Australia, despite apparently erroneous excursion to 6125 yesterday, shux. Re-opens 6125 for CNR1, whoopee.

11680, August 28 at 0055, surprised to find French here; must be RHC, and yes, // 5040. Per Aoki, 11680 is supposed to be Spanish-only at 2300-0400, tho we`ve often found it missing.

Per http://www.radiohc.cu/fr/dinteret/frequences.html
this broadcast is supposed to be only on 5040 at 0030-0100. Apparently mixed up program feed lines, not unusual for the incompetents at RHC.

(BTW, the French sked shows an additional webcast-only at 1830-1900;

don`t see anything like that for the other languages; SW is completely off the air for siesta at 1500-1900. And it gets 11880 right for the 2200 airing, unlike English at 2300 on ``1880``)

6000, August 28 at 0233, RHC English is undermodulated, much weaker-sounding than // 6165. I was checking for 4XZ, the Israeli military CW station which others (Karl Zuk, Rafael RodrÌguez, Rodolfo Tizzi) had heard two nights before around this time with a V marker on 6001 QRMing RHC, but nothing from that now.

15340, August 28 at 1344, HCJB in the clear with no RHC which nominally starts at 1300. Before 1300 it was hardly audible on 6150 under that other Aussie. Now RHC 15230 has fair signal but very undermodulated; 17580 very weak but detectable (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also INTERNATIONAL VACUUM [non]

** EAST TURKISTAN. 9590 poor, and stronger // 9800, August 24 at 0045, Chinese orchestral music, i.e. CRI Spanish service at 23-01 via Kashgar to CIRAF 12-14, i.e. South America except SE Brasil and Patagonia. 294 and 269 degrees respectively, so one would expect 9590 to be stronger here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 4781.69, R. Oriental, 1137, mentions of "Napo" by Spanish man, bothered by CODAR but otherwise good. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. Radio Cairo on off-frequency, instead of 9965 was noted on Aug. 20:
2300-0030 on 9963.5 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm English
0030-0430 on 9963.5 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm Arabic

Radio Cairo is spreading spurious signals in the 31 mb +/- 45v kHz:
0045-0200 on 9720 ABZ 250 kW / 330 deg to NoAm Spanish on August 23
0200-0330 on 9720 ABZ 250 kW / 330 deg to NoAm English on August 23
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

Radio Cairo is spreading spurious signals in the 31 mb +/- 45v kHz:
0045-0330 on 9720 ABZ 250 kW / 330 deg to NoAm Spanish/English on August 23 (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
So those would be circa 9765 and 9675 (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** EGYPT. 9965.0, August 24 at 0049, R. Cairo is just barely modulated, hum, and flutter, but at least it`s back on frequency, its variance having been repaired from 9963.5 as reported by Ivo Ivanov at 2300 August 20; and from 9963.449 by Wolfgang B¸schel at 0010 Aug 22 when it also had ``a fence of spurious signals, each 100 Hertz apart, six on lower and six on upper side flank``. HFCC shows site is Abis; Aoki shows the other one, Abu Zaabal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. Radio Ethiopia is drifting off-frequency on August 21
1600-1800 on 7236.2 GEJ 100 kW / non-dir to ETH English/French
1600-1800 on 9564.5 GEJ 100 kW / non-dir to ETH English/French
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** EUROPE. FRS Holland now on 5800, 7685 kHz --- Message below just in from FRS; Good reception here at 1930 UT tune-in on both 5800 and 7685. 73s (Dave Kenny, UK, Sunday Aug 25, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

From: frs
Sent: Sunday, August 25, 2013 8:14 PM
Subject: FRS moved frequency

Hi FRS Friends, FRSH has shifted freqs this evening. 5800 [sic] has been replaced by 5800 and we just moved from 7600 to 7685 kHz. Good listening! We will remain on the air till just after 00:00 hours CEST. [2200 UT] 73s, Peter V. a Balance between Music & Information joined to one Format....
FRS-Holland
POBox 2702
6049 ZG Herten
The Netherlands
e-mail: < frs@frsholland.nl >
(via Dave Kenny, BDXC-UK yg via dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. QSL 990 kHz DLR {former RIAS Berlin} Berlin Britz on mediumwave - very last DAY 4 Sept 2013!

Heute frueh habe ich mal Strassburg 1278 kHz gecheckt und bin da ueber das Britz 990 kHz gestolpert ... ein wunderschoenes DLR Signal am Bodensee schon auf Schweizer Gebiet, nahe der Vorarlberg/Liechtenstein Grenze, um 08 MESZ, da sollte man sich mit einer Kuhsel beeiligen ... der letzte Tag 4. September draeut. (oder 3.9. letzter Tag ?)
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Aug 22, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 29 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. 6069.995, Tentative, Radio 6150, Ingolstadt Waal, carried English pop music, poor S=7 signal, female pop chorus at 0603 UT
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Re 17840 DRM kHz at 12-13 UT similar DRM encoding, -- dammned forgot it, German taxpayer should it know --. Is German Marine broadcasting to control ships off Somalia pirate coast - text-content via DRM mode unit at Nauen tx site, 12-13 UT formerly also on 5995 on Aug 28/29, 9590 kHz on Aug 2-4 too.

No audio for pure DREAM decoding software heard yet. The ship's crew to be connected via a single hour DRM contact daily, with their families at home. Probably, this was done by the Fraunhofer Institute, has changed the encoding / decoding for this purpose, compared to pure DRM dream decoding. Nothing heard of Bundeswehr R Andernach on 17840drm on Aug 26 - 28 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 21/ 28, via DXLD)

BUT NO AUDIO DECODED YET ON DRM Dream software, - SO FAR !
HIDDEN ENCODING TYPE by Fraunhofer Institute ?
DRM variation mode, 5995 / 9590 / 17840 / 11650 kHz.
website in German language, please translate on Google translator into English
<http://bit.ly/13FHKtH>

<http://www.kommando.streitkraeftebasis.de/portal/a/kdoskb/!ut/p/c4/HYuxEsIgEET_6A7UwtiZiYVlbGJsHAJMPEMgcyHY-PGCuzuvebP4wFyvEo0qUvDK4R17TafhA-s0PCcTYLWcSFtQrF-UYCfkHt6bI-zK11jQwdtYGK2PlDmyioFhCRxdMRtzNkAGeyGbWhzEPzLvW1Vt012OQjTX-obLPJ9_-qSvpg!!/>

100 kW DRM mode transmitter MBR/TDF/DTK Nauen (ex Juelich / Flevo units)

<http://www.kommando.streitkraeftebasis.de/portal/a/kdoskb/!ut/p/c4/TYpLDsIwDERvZJcYQsuOU0DZoKSOKqtpUoXwOT7OAgk96Y1GM3hDJbmXzK5KTi7iFcdJTv4Nj8XfF87wgTWwOC-R8dLuHGDKKdTmGlIV9VxczQW2XGpsy7MUXUAYR9rRgXoTiMioWyNNS4a6f2xvHQ1HsqxtsHvT_cBtXc9flBxtcA!!/>

and Nauen TX house of 1923

<http://www.kommando.streitkraeftebasis.de/portal/a/kdoskb/!ut/p/c4/TYrdDsIgDIXfiE6qjHnnU7h5Y8ogS7MBC9afxxcuTMyXfKfNOXCDSqIXLyScE20wwjTz2b3VY3X31Wf1UTF4Jsebh2ub-6DmnII0S0jC1UshyUXtucjWmmcptVHsYcIDntDqgIi6un1Y09Sr-8dYQzj0aIIZ0PZH3f2APcbLF5LDdPo!/>

Radio Andernach in DRM. The German marine ship left the harbour Wilhelmshaven Germany on July 28.

In order to fight against sea pirates off the coast or Djibouti, Somaliland, Yemen/Seychelles area, on

Anti-Pirate action "Atalanta" on Horn of Africa.

Heard the German Bundeswehr service "Radio Andernach" in DRM mode via 100 kW tx at Nauen, by Media&Broadcast GmbH owned by TDF France.

2 days on 5995drm July 28 / 29, 12-13 UT, later from July 30 few days

on 9590drm, and now still daily on 17840drm.

Used a special hidden Encoding, nothing heard so far with DREAM decoding software yet, nor Cracked (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 26 via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

I'm receiving a station on 11650, Radio Andernach, that's not listed in the "official" DRM schedule. Near as I can tell, Radio Andernach is the station of the German army. I'm not getting any audio; the S/N ratio is only about 10-11 dB, not rising to the level required for audibility, but the ID is coming through in Dream. I don't see anything on the Radio Andernach web site at
<http://www.radio-andernach.bundeswehr.de/>
about shortwave broadcasts via DRM. Anyone know anything about this?

Radio Andernach in DRM. I actually did find something about this on a separate site, linked from their news page. Appears to be two hours a day, aimed at the frigate Niedersachsen, currently patrolling off the shore of Somalia. URL is <http://bit.ly/13FHKtH>
(Ralph Brandi-NY-USA, DXplorer Aug 26 via BC-DX Aug 29 via DXLD)

Ralph, you're not alone; SNR is 19-21 dB here in central UKRAINE, such level must ensure perfect audio, alas, no audio here to absolutely "empty feed" I'd say. They' re probably testing and seemingly have a problem there, not sure if they're aware (Vlad Titarev, DXplorer Aug 26, ibid.)

** GREECE. The radio rebels are still seasonally in the air during the Greek Holiday months season. Enjoy the lax security procedure as the Greek authorities, as long as you can. This would never happen to occur in N_S_A and Guant·namo country. ;-) ;-) On MW heard no ERA/ERT programs recently, rather "Flash 96" program. Yesterday night at 2300 UT heard suprisingly "American Free Jazz" program on MW 729, 792, 1008, 1404 kHz, and odd frequency Rhodes island 1259.843 kHz. Athen 666 and 981 kHz, as well as 1512 kHz were silent (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, Aug 20, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 29 via DXLD)

Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot. 9420 \\ 7475, 15650 all three CARRIERs ONLY, S=9+25dB, no new broadcaster EDT Greece on air! (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No shortwave broadcasts from ERT at 0500 UT on August 20
0400-0807 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek or till 1200
0400-0807 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek or till 1157
0400-0807 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek or till 1200
Also no signal on other frequencies of ERT 7450, 7475, 9935, 15650

ERT is still off the air. No signal in the afternoon on August 20:
from 1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1200-1657 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
1200-1357 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
1400-1857 on 15650 AVL 100 kW / 105 deg to SoAs Greek
from 1700 on 7450 AVL 100 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek

ERT accidentally went on air at 2200 on August 20:
from 2200 on 7450 AVL 100 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
from 2200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
from 2200 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
from 2310 on 7475 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to NoAm Greek
from 2300 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
from 2300 on 15650 AVL 100 kW / 226 deg to CeAm Greek
In parallel with ERT mediumwave frequencies: 729, 1260

More and more unscheduled wrong frequencies of ERT on August 22:
from 0400 7475 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg NoAm Greek, instead of 11645 Af
from 0400 15650 AVL 100 kW / 226 deg CeAm Greek, instead of 15630 Eu
from 0400 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek

No shortwave broadcasts of ERT (or new EDT) on August 25:
0400-0807 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0400-0807 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek
0400-0807 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
Also no signal on other frequencies of ERT 7450, 7475, 9935, 15650

Unmodulated carriers 0745-0815 on 9420, 11635, 15630 then started ERT:
0815-1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
0815-1200 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek, ex till 1157
0815-1200 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
from 1200 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
1200-1245 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek , not 9935
from 1247 on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek until 1657
from 1200 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek until 1357

Only single frequency of ERT is on the air on August 26/27:
1200-2300 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
2300-0400 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to NoAm Greek
0400-0800 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

15630, August 25 at 1956, open carrier, presumably ERT if not EDT; wasn`t paying much attention, but I think a few minutes earlier it was on 15650 with a song in French but Greek announcement (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 9720, August 27 at 1345, assertive Russian speaker about

Christianity with sidekick, fair signal, 1346 into wistful song by YL. It`s KSDA, AWR, 100 kW, 345 degrees from Agat during this semihour only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 13362-USB, August 27 at 1331, good signal from AFN with news, in fact much better than ever heard on nominal night frequency 5765-USB. NBC Today Show? Not today, maybe before 13; YL anchor eventually IDs as HLN, and is indeed a couple words ahead of CNN Headline News channel as received on cable 63 in Enid. Still in at 1350 with promo break for Navy-Cool (?) career program (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non-log]. 4971.0 nor 4970.0, AIR Shillong on August 22, at 1313 not heard at all. Hope that this is a sign they are working to fix the tx!

4971.0, AIR Shillong with good strength open carrier, but little audio; back again on August 24 at 1146, but was off the air again by 1324. Tx not fixed!

4971.0, AIR Shillong (presumed). August 25 again found going off the air very early; gone by 1246; earlier heard prominent open carrier with no audio.

4995, unable to find any sign of AIR Kurseong here on August 25. Was noted here by Sudipta Ghose, et al., on August 23, but believe has since probably returned to 4895 where they normally are.

5050, AIR Aizawl (tentative), 1222, August 25. Sounded very much like the usual news in English; one of their stronger days; faintly heard under Beibu Bay Radio (BBR) (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Yesterday evening 25 Aug 2013 AIR General Overseas Service in English was monitored on 11840 (instead of 11620) from tune in around 1400 to 1500. 11840 is normally used till 1315 in Chinese. May be they forgot to change it to 11620 for the next transmission starting from 1330.

AIR Ahmadabad was noted early this morning local time from tune in at around 1.10 am (1940 UT) till around 5.30 am on 846 kHz. Instrumental music without any announcements were heard with fair reception. The transmitter was coming on and off frequently and there were several silence periods also. When I contacted the station official, he informed that they were testing their 200 kw transmitter.
Their website is http://www.airahmedabad.in/
Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Monitoring observations of special broadcast --- The following AIR stations were observed last night (29 Aug 13 [sic, must have meant 28 Aug --- gh]) with extended broadcasts from 1740 UT (11.10 pm IST). These stations relayed AIR Mathura which broadcast running commentary of Krishna Janmshatami celebrations.
4810 Bhopal
4880 Lucknow
4910 Jaipur
The National Channel on 1215, 1566, 9425, 9470 relayed this.

On MW the following frequencies were also heard. 531, 603, 621, 648, 675, 747, 801, 873, 918, 956, 981, 1143, 1242, 1386, 1395, 1594. On 810 & 848 separate local program were heard. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Mobile: +91 94416 96043, http://www.qsl.net/vu2jos 0421 UT Aug 29, dx_india yg via DXLD) See also ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS

** INDIA [non]. 6260, UZBEKISTAN, CVC - The Voice Asia 1401 unmodulated carrier, then at 1401:30 woman in Hindi with announcements over music, heard mention of ìThe Voiceî, into Hindi singing. Poor, Aug 24 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA [and non]. 3345, August 25 at 1200, RRI Ternate in Indonesian news, sounds same as on stronger 3325 RRI Palangkaraya, first heard a minute earlier with music slightly past 1200, then talk, deep fades. Just as sun is rising here, a good Indonesian morning, as then sought others: strongest 4750-, RRI Makassar is // 3325; and a weak signal slightly below 4870-, presumably Wamena but unseems // the others, and also bothered by OTH radar clatter and traces of bleed from the TADIL-A bonker on the lo side which itself is now weak. At 1208, I can tell 3325 and 4750 are //, but 3345 is not, maybe just separated or out of synch? Too weak to be sure.

{Atsunori Ishida shows that both 3325 and 3345 have been active every day so far in August, 3325 until sign-off varying around 1700, 3345 until 1500v; also 4750 until 1600v; 4870 until 1500v}. By 1202 the only PNG frequency with a carrier is 3260 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Very nice reporting! Am happy to see someone else reporting on my favorite time to check all the RRI stations ñ 1200, with the news provided for by Jakarta. It is often possible, as you did today, to tie down which are in // and which are not. I find it also helps to check the //s at the end of the Jakarta news, when they finish off with a patriotic song. Today played "Dirgahayu Indonesiaku," but

should be switching back to playing "Bagimu Negeri" (For You Our Country) again in another week or so.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1N_vWxa2bQ (Preview)
with "Bagimu Negeri."
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3ybxkATNKM (Preview)
with "Dirgahayu Indonesiaku."

August 25 was a day RRI Wamena was covered by heavy OTH radar, so was impossible for me to tell what happened with them; as also indicated by Ishida ("Carrier at 1000-1459. Heavy QRM of OTH radar"). Pleased to see Aoki picked up on the Thursday (August 22) KGI programming [1237 on 4870], which I first heard back on August 1 (Thursday). They started a minute earlier than he indicates with the singing KGI ID and intro to KGI in Bahasa Indonesia before they actually started with English (Ron Howard, San Francisco, Aug 25, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4869.88v, RRI Wamena, 1228, August 22 (Thursday). Ending the Jakarta news relay with the patriotic song ìDirgahayu Indonesiaku.î From 1236 to 1307 with the Thursday weekly edition in English of KGI; a major change noted here; Kevin, who had been with KGI for many years, is no longer the announcer. Website now indicates: ìKevin completed his work with KGI on March 31st, 2013î and is no longer listed as a staff member. Greg is the new announcer; played some pop hit songs; singing IDs; poor with QRN. Website -
http://www.kangguru.org/kgi_in_indonesia.html
Was indeed strange not to hear Kevinís long familiar voice today! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9525.89, Voice of Indonesia, Spanish, 1736, program "Persona Indonesia" with comments by a man, mention "onda corta." Very good and all alone. 24/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Lucky you!

Summer A-13 schedule of Voice of Indonesia:
1000-1100 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 135 deg to AUS English
1100-1200 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Chinese
1200-1300 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Japanese
1300-1400 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs English
1400-1500 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Indonesian
1500-1600 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Chinese
1600-1700 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Arabic
1700-1800 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu Spanish
1800-1900 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu German
1900-2000 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu English
2000-2100 on 9526vJAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu French
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM [non]. Adjunto comunicado y archivo con la QSL especial del programa de RHC EN CONTACTO que ser· utilizada para confirmar todos los informes del popular programa dx de la radio cubana el 27 de octubre. Ruego su difusiÛn a todos. Cordiales 73. CORDIALES SALUDOS / GOOD LUCK / JUAN FRANCO CRESPO * STAMP JOURNALIST (AIPET) S¿LVIA 8 (MAS CLARIANA) E-43800 VALLS-TARRAGONA (ESPA—A-SPAIN-ESPAGNE-SPANIEN)

ATENCI”N

QSL ESPECIAL CONMEMORATIVA EL 75 ANIVERSARIO DE LA GUERRA DE LOS MUNDOS REALIZADA POR ORSON WELLES EN LA RADIODIFUSI”N NORTEAMERICANA

Con motivo del 75 aniversario de la cÈlebre dramatizaciÛn que cambiÛ el rumbo de la historia de la radio, en muchas ocasiones ha sido celebrada e incluso recreada por otras estaciones, el programa Diexista EN CONTACTO que realiza regularmente la emisora cubana RADIO HABANA CUBA, ha preparado una QSL CONMEMORATIVA que servir· para confirmar los informes de recepciÛn que lleguen a la Perla de las Antillas correspondientes al domingo 27 de octubre de 2013 [el 75 aniversario se estar· celebrando el 30 de octubre] y ha de ser alusivo al contenido de ese programa DX ESPECIAL.

La QSL ESPECIAL ha sido iniciativa de aficionados ticos que prepararon y editaron la tarjeta alusiva y que confiamos sea divulgada junto al informativo adjunto en donde aparecen el popular actor norteamericano y numerosos testimonios basados en la cÈlebre novela de finales del XIX, entre ellos, las portadas del New York Times y el Daily News haciÈndose eco del p·nico que se apoderÛ de la poblaciÛn de Nueva York con la llegada ñficticia- de los extraterrestres a la ciudad de los rascacielos.

Agradecemos a los colegas costarricenses por esta iniciativa que, sin duda, har· m·s visible, sobre todo en las colecciones de QSL, de aquella programaciÛn que hizo posible cambiar a la anquilosada radio de la Època y dar un salto gigantesco en el mundo de la popularidad de la literatura de ficciÛn: JosÈ Alfredo Pineda DubÛn y su hijo Vladimir Pineda.

Gracias por este granito de arena a la historia de la radio que en estos momentos histÛricos nos quieren hacer creer que es algo pasado de moda, cuando basta viajar por el mundo para darse cuenta de la versatilidad de un sencillo receptor y la cantidad de ventanas que se te abren por cuatro cÈntimos. SÌ es cierto: CON UN RECEPTOR DE ONDA CORTA NADIE SABE QUI…N ESCUCHA NI QU… ESCUCHA, pero si tienes INTERNET los poderosos saben hasta el olor del sudor que tiene tu cuerpo mientras est·s navegando por la red y, por supuesto, con una energÌa a

precios prohibitivos, ellos siguen engordando sus cuentas y quit·ndonos parcelas de intimidad que nadie sabe para quÈ ser·n utilizadas, aunque en algunos paÌses ya sabemos que est·n siendo empleadas en la selecciÛn de personal gracias a los datos que esas m·quinas almacenan sin nuestro consentimiento.

El horario del programa dominical de la emisora internacional cubana, hasta el prÛximo cambio de frecuencias que acontecer·, precisamente, el ˙ltimo domingo de octubre, es el siguiente:
[gh made some correxions]
DOMINGO:
1335 UT por 9540-11690-11750-11760-11860-15340 kHz.
2240 UT por 5040-9710-9810-17705-17720 kHz.
0135 UT por 5040-6060-6100-11680-11760-11840-15230-17705 kHz.
(corresponde ya a la madrugada del lunes en Europa).

Todos los informes se deber·n dirigir a:
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La direcciÛn electrÛnica es radiohc@enet.cu o mangelro@enet.cu (privado). Lamentablemente hemos de informar que no siempre son aceptados los correos electrÛnicos y en muchos casos son rechazados por excesivamente largos. Mejor no enviar ning˙n adjunto y extractar el informe de recepciÛn lo m·ximo posible (via JUAN FRANCO CRESPO, Spain, DXLD)

That`s nice, but does seem a bit off-topic for a Cuban Spanish DX program encouraged by Costa Ricans to be celebrating the anniversary of an American radio classic, in English (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** IRAN. 11730, August 25 at 1327, instrumental ME music with fair signal, cuts off abruptly at 1327.5*. Uplooked later, it`s VIRI Pashto service at 1230-1327, 500 kW due east from Sirjan.

13785, August 25 at 1332, Arabic, fair signal with flutter, i.e. VIRI, 500 kW, 178 degrees from Kamalabad across Arabia until 1427 per Aoki. Absence of Cuba from 13780 certainly helps.

13880, August 27 at 1336, very poor signal with broadcast-intoned talk on AM. Aoki shows VIRI, 0840-1427 in Dari, 250 kW, 84 degrees from Ahwaz. This is as high as you can go on 21m before hitting the SOH/Firedrake/CNR1 band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL [and non]. Hi Glenn: FYI, I heard '4 X Z' in CW under RHC's

broadcast on 6000 last night just after 0200 UT 8-26. The full message was V V V de 4XZ repeating over and over (Karl Zuk, N2KZ, Katonah, NY, Aug 26, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It`s back! Also two new logs in the UDXF yg:

6001 kHz, 4XZ very strong signal --- Hi, 6001.0 kHz in CW at 2330 " == AR AR VVV DE 4XZ 4XZ = = " very strong signal noted here in Bogot·, Colombia; usually can be listen this signal on 6607 and 6379 but at moment off (Rafael RodrÌguez R., Aug 25, http://dxdesdecolombia.blogspot.com/ UDXF yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

Heard also in Montevideo, Uruguay at 0417 UT:
http://youtu.be/Jlu0w8Up34A
73! (Rodolfo Tizzi http://cx2abp.blogspot.com/ Aug 26, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, ibid.)

His clip is extremely weak, and need to turn all volumes wide open to barely hear it; don`t hear any RHC mixing there. There are 493 more logs of 4XZ searching on that in the UDXF yg but only these two match with 6001; another mentions its nominal frequencies 2680, 4331, 6379 and 6607, but I can`t figure out how any of those would mix onto 6001. 4XZ has had other problems such as stuck keys (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

But 4XZ has been on 6001 and other strange frequencies before in DXLD, 11-01:

** ISRAEL. Anyone else hearing this? 5000, 02 JAN, 0150 UT, 4XZ, Israeli Navy, Haifa. Banging away in CW on a time and frequency channel! No sign of BPM or WWVH this morning. Station was in its normal "V" marker, then went into 5 digit/letter groups and then back to its "V" marker now at 0227.

At first I thought I had a spur or an image. Israel is bit too far away for most of that and I see nothing that can mix to produce this. The rest of the band is normal and I have no such effect anywhere else. My rx is not really susceptible to such. I mean, it is dead-on at 5000. This raises the question, WTF? Bad tx on their end? On purpose? Sure would make the signal easy to find. 73, (Al Muick, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Al, 4XZ has appeared on 5001 (and 6000) before: from 2010, DXLD 10-04:

** ISRAEL. Re Galei Zahal? on 5000, 10-02: Hi Ron, Jari Savolainen has heard today [Jan 21] an Israel army station 4XZ on 5001 kHz with CW. Maybe they were the ones relaying it. Some info about the station:

http://www.astrosol.ch/53790397a40a2bb01/53790397a40a31504/index.html
73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, via Ron Howard, DXLD)

Hi Mauno, Thank you very much for this information. Wonder if that was the CW Glenn was hearing on Dec 3? Appreciate the feedback! Have not heard them again on 5000. Best regards, (Ron Howard, CA, ibid.)

1318 not a likely time to be hearing Israel in OK on 5 MHz (gh, DXLD)

DXLD 10-09:

** ISRAEL. Haifa Radio heard on 6000 kHz --- Glenn: There was nice signal propagation this afternoon and night on the 3-7 MHz range I was listening to. Very good reception of many regional broadcasters. One anomaly I did note was 4XZ on 6000 kHz. Perhaps it has been reported before, but this is the first time I've heard it on this frequency. I don't think it was a receiver mixing product considering the Drake has a fairly stout front end, but perhaps a transmitter spur or maybe intentional?

6000, 4XZ Haifa Radio, Israel navy coastal radio station ship to shore communications. 2225, Feb 27, 4XZ given in Morse over and over in CW mode. First noted here before Cuba signed on. Weak to fair signal with rapid fading. I checked it a couple hours later and could hear it under Cuba in AM mode beating against Havana's carrier (David Hodgson, TN, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WORLD OF RADIO 1684,

David, Wasn`t this previously reported on 5000 or very close to that? Maybe they punched the wrong frequency. Interesting if you can hear it on 6000 again. Hard to imagine they would use 6000 intentionally. Was it just the marker you heard, never succeeding in any contacts? (Glenn to David via DXLD)

Glenn: I did not hear any traffic, just the marker. I don't know if it was ever heard on 5000 kHz but I did find a little information on it, though it is a bit dated:
http://www.astrosol.ch/53790397a40a2bb01/53790397a40a31504/index.html
I would think 6000 kHz is a mistake or maybe a mixing product of some sort (David Hodgson, WORLD OF RADIO 1502, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6000, 4XZ, Israeli Navy, Haifa. 0426+ CW 4XZ repeatedly, atop weak Radio Habana Cuba (in English). (Terry Krueger, Clearwater FL, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1502, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Date? Probably Feb 27 or 28 [end of historical DXLD info] (via DXLD 13-35)

Re: What is the CW around 6378 kHz at 1933??? Googling 6378 kHz came up with three YouTube recordings of this station (including the triple V you mention Ian) which according to the poster is 4XZ IDF (Israeli

Defense Forces) Navy in Haifa:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCKcDUOqcys
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fJXJBJ2Zzro
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCKcDUOqcys

There's more about 4XZ at this website:
http://www.astrosol.ch/53790397a40a2bb01/53790397a40a31504/
73 (Alan Pennington, Aug 4, BDXC-TC yg via DXLD)

** ISRAEL. Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot: 6884.963 odd frequency Israel army radio Galei Zahal, S=7 fair signal but adjacent WWCR 6875 was on S=9+20dB level instead (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6885.003, Israel Army Radio Galei Zahal, weak signal at fade-out time from Near East, noted in Germany at 0608 UT, S=4, but much easier to follow on \\ 15850.005 kHz outlet at 0613 UT, latter S=7 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ITALY [non]. 15190, IRRS (via Tiganeshti, ROMANIA per Aoki) 1509-1530* 25 Aug. Enjoyed the Sunday-only 30-minute broadcast of Radio Santec (long chat about global warming/apocalypse/divine prophecies) with p-mail address in Germany + website http://www.radio-santec.com at program close, followed by "This is I double-R S Shortwave" with request for reports to the Milano POB# and promised a special QSL. Off with "This is IRRS Shortwave signing off" (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/9m X wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 15105, August 23 at 0524, poor signal with typical Juche-brainwashed choral music, sounds same as on stronger 15180 and also on 13760. Not often (ever?) heard here on 15105, but these are scheduled as separate languages, Spanish on 15180 and 13760, English on 15105. Probably coincidental programming and did not try to match audio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 3480, SOUTH KOREA, Voice of the People, Goyang 1216 with choir. Also on // 3912, 4450, 4557, 6518, 6600. Fair, Aug 24 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 3985, SOUTH KOREA, Radio Echo of Hope, Gimpío 1220 Korean, man giving speech, with occasional ham QRM, noise jamming here and on // 6003, 6348. Very poor, Aug 24 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 5150, August 27 at 1209, very poor signal in Korean,

i.e. MND Radio, clandestine for North but no noise jamming audible; couldn`t remember the paired channel, but Aoki shows it`s 6360 during this hour. Originally this new service would jumble its schedule frequently, but apparently not lately. Aoki says 100 kW ND from JongAn site (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 15575, August 27 at 1338, JBA carrier from presumed KBS World Radio North American service in English. After a few summer months of usually adequate reception, I fear we are already entering the darkening months not supporting such a night-path MUF, as KBS doggedly stix to this yearound, and won`t consider a relay unlike Spanish at 0100 on 9605 via WHRI, which has a strong reliable signal here altho intended for Latin America. O well, at least we are still on KBS` radar unlike RTI`s. Maybe there will still be some sufficient reception days (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot: 4009.994, Kyrgyz Radio, Bishkek, weak S=4-5 fade-out time (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 11665, Wai FM via RTM, very late starting their broadcast August 22. Not on the air at 1117 & 1214, but well heard at 1323 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 610, August 25 at 1156 UT, full ID, too much QRM from Kansas City, but I get enough fragments to nail it: FM ends in .1, Guasave mentioned, so it`s XEGS in Sinaloa whose FM is 106.1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 650, August 27 at 0614 UT, Radio 65 and 12:14 TC in Spanish, back to music, axually atop WSM without nulling the latter. I.e. XETNT, Los Mochis, Sinaloa, a regular here but WSM normally dominant (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 880, August 25 at 1150 UT, break in romantic music for nothing but a ``5:49`` timecheck by YL in Spanish, which means it has to be one of two stations: XEV in Chihuahua city, or XEPNK in Los Mochis, Sinaloa, about the same direxion. Chihua2 closer, but Sinaloa stations are common here around sunrise skip. IRCA AM log shows XEPNK the one with musical format rather than news/talk, but relying on XE format info is risky. Many other Mexicans are in around this time, most playing music. Enid sunrise today 1158 UT, soon to surpass 1200 at the rate of about 5 minutes later per week (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. No apologÌa para el delito? --- Estimado Sr. Hauser. Quisiera hacer un comentario respecto a la ley pretende sancionar en

MÈxico a quien por alg˙n medio haga apologÌa del delito y violencia y
que usted comentÛ en un reporte anterior hace tiempo. Es interesante
saber que en MÈxico a veces la ley se aplica seg˙n la conveniencia de
los grupos de poder. Un caso ha sido el de los "cÛmicos regionales"
apodados Nani Nam˙ y Mamu Blue, quienes han presumido su amistad con
la gobernadora de aquel entonces, Ivonne Ortega Pacheco,
http://yucatan.com.mx/merida/era-mas-que-la-intima
y se han visto involurados en esc·ndalos
http://progresohoy.com/noticias/fallece-polemico-gonzalo-espana-mammie-blue-
activista-defensor-comunidad-lesbico-gay-3291/
Lo mas curioso es que hace tiempo atr·s en un espect·culo p˙blico uno
de ellos agradeciÛ a la delincuencia organizada el haber perpetrado un
todavÌa reciente crimen que espantÛ a la sociedad yucatanense
http://www.eluniversal.com.mx/notas/533828.html
y el video sigue circulando ante la vista y paciencia de las
autoridades, lo que demuestra el favoritismo de los grupos polÌticos.
El vÌdeo tambiÈn puede conseguir en la venta de "piraterÌa" (mas
"delito"(?)). Atte.: (Ing. Israel Gonz·lez Ahumada, M.I., Aug 23, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** MICRONESIA [non-log]. 4755.52, PMA-The Cross Radio. Something
happening here? August 22 not heard at 1053 check; normally with
1200*. Needs more monitoring.

4755.52, PMA-The Cross Radio. August 24 heard back to usual will
religious sermon at 1119 & 1137, so is back to normal after being
somewhat irregular recently (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach,
CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. Summer A-13 for Voice of Mongolia:
0900-0930 on 12085 U-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs English
0930-1000 on 12085 U-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Mongolian
1000-1030 on 12085 U-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Chinese
1030-1100 on 12085 U-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Japanese
1400-1430 on 12015 U-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Mongolian
1430-1500 on 12015 U-B 250 kW / 178 deg to SoAs Chinese
1500-1530 on 12015 U-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs Japanese
1530-1600 on 12015 U-B 250 kW / 116 deg to EaAs English
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. Summer A-13 SW schedule from Myanmar, all ``to SEAs``:
0000-0030 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0030 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0030 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0030 6030 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
0000-0030 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Chin Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0000-0030 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0030-0130 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0130 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0130 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0000-0130 6030 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
0030-0130 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Karen Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0030-0130 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0130-0200 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0130-0200 6030 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg English Thazin Radio General Sce
0130-0200 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0130-0200 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Wa Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0130-0200 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0130-0200 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0200-0230 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0200-0230 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0200-0230 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Wa Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0200-0230 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0200-0230 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0230-0300 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0230-0300 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0230-0300 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio
0230-0300 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Pa-O Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0230-0300 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0230-0300 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0300-0330 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0300-0330 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio
0300-0330 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Pa-O Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0300-0330 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0300-0330 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0330-0430 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0330-0430 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0330-0430 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0430-0530 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0430-0530 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
0430-0530 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Lhao Vo Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0430-0530 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0430-0530 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0530-0630 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
0530-0630 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Po Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0530-0630 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0530-0630 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0630-0700 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg English Thazin Radio General Sce
0630-0700 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Kayah Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0630-0700 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0630-0700 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

0700-0730 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio
0700-0730 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Kayah Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0700-0730 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg English Myanmar Radio
0700-0730 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg English Myanmar Radio

0730-0830 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0730-0830 9460 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio
0730-0830 9590 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Shan Thazin Radio Regional Sce
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0930-1000 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
0930-1000 7345 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Kachin Thazin Radio Regional Sce
0930-1000 9731 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
0930-1000 9731 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio

1000-1030 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
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1000-1030 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
1000-1030 7345 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Kachin Thazin Radio Regional Sce

1030-1130 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1030-1130 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1030-1130 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1030-1130 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
1030-1130 7200 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1030-1130 7345 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Pwo Kayin Thazin Radio Regional

1130-1230 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1130-1230 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
1130-1230 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
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1530-1630 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg English Myanmar Radio
1530-1630 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg English Myanmar Radio

2300-2330 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
2300-2330 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
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2330-2400 5915 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
2330-2400 5986 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
2330-2400 5986 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
2330-2400 6030 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Thazin Radio General Sce
2330-2400 6165 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Chin Thazin Radio Regional Sce
2330-2400 7200 NAY 050 kW / 356 deg Burmese Myanmar Radio
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

5985.8, Myanmar Radio, 1155, August 24. In vernacular with audio hum. Series of ads and PSAs? Audio at https://app.box.com/s/t768zjl1pzrs3dtae95h

9730.00, Myanmar Radio, 1122-1133*, August 24. In vernacular; pop songs; 1129 usual indigenous theme music; weak (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEWFOUNDLAND. So far, CKZN in St. John's, NL, and also on 6160, is not on the chopping block. I can only assume that the reason for this is that there are a number of communities in Labrador that are not currently being adequately served by the CBC's network of FM transmitters and do not get a reliable signal from CBN 640 in St. John's. But, as we have seen before, the caveat emptor is the fact

that CBC upper management are incapable of intelligent decisions (Mark Coady, Ont., ODXA YRX August 26 via DXLD)

It relays CFGB Goose Bay, most/all? of the time, not CBN even tho it`s transmitted from St John`s (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CANADA

** NEW ZEALAND [non?]. Radio Totse, 6925 USB, 1130 UT, Aug 25, 2013: For those who haven't heard them, Radio Totse is broadcasting on 6925 with its usual rock and blues mix. The signal is poor, but caught an ID between songs around 1132. Any of you in Australia or New Zealand hearing this? (Tim Rahto, Luther Iowa, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Everyone: 6925-USB, Radio Totse, 1115, noted at fair level, despite over the horizon radar, with eclectic rock music. Announcer (who does sound Aussie) just briefly mentioned that reception reports are welcome via their website. Now, more talk by a man and second "Radio Totse" ID by a man at 1122. Surprised I am hearing anything through the QRM. 26/8 (David Sharp NSW, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 15120, August 22 at 0534, VON is on the air again tonight! Fair signal in English but undermodulated, muffled, and some hum; meanwhile, another African signal, DW RWANDA 15275 in English, is inbooming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15115-15120-15125, August 25 at 1952, big DRM noise must indicate V. of Nigeria is on today, about to close at 2000 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. Radio Ronin shortwave with Captain Morgan with a mix of rock music with very good signal into Montreal at 2311 UT on 6975.8 AM mode. 73 (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also NEW ZEALAND [non?]; UNIDENTIFIED 6925

** OKLAHOMA. Application to extend existing STAs received from WKY-930 Oklahoma City OK (U1 5000/1000) (AM Switch, NRC DX News Aug 19 via DXLD) Instead of 5 kW at night, helpful for DXing here (gh, Enid)

** OKLAHOMA. 1020, August 26 at 0544 UT, KOKP Perry again has lost modulation, just open carrier, making ~215/minute or 3.58 Hz SAH with KDKA which is quite audible with KOKP nulled; see USA. Such anomalies are almost routine with KOKP (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1120, August 23 at 0555 UT, as I tune across and null KMOX, immediately get a Spanish ID starting with K-, and on to music, not definitely praiseworthy, and no re-ID at top of hour as it is

losing out to KMOX, but still detectable past 0610. I can only conclude this is daytimer KEOR Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa cheating again, since it is also making typical SAH of a few Hz as heard on previous unpredictable occasions, and there are no other SS K-stations known, altho there are 3 or 4 in the W-zone on 1120.

1120, August 24 at 0508 UT, daytimer KEOR Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa is on again in the nightmiddle; I don`t see how this could be accidental, but if KMOX doesn`t care, why should we? Why should the FCC?

0508 alabanza music is heard on the SRF-59, best in KMOX null, but at times strong enough to be heard and with few-Hz SAH under KMOX, unless KEOR be precisely nulled. 0512 break for YL speaking some devotional ``palabras de Victoria``; program promos for other dayparts; local ad mentioning something on 81st Street (typically Tulsa: east-west arteries on the south side all follow the formula (10x + 1); and back to music.

1120, August 25 at 0506 UT, gospel huxter in Spanish is atop KMOX briefly, no doubt daytimer KEOR Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa cheating again. And while often recently no signal past 1300 UT, on Aug 25 it`s already/still on at 1144 with (same?) preacher, and no KMOX, just before Catoosa legal sunrise of 1145.

1120, August 27 at 0619 UT, gospel huxter in Spanish, making SAH of about 4 Hz with KMOX nulled: no doubt KEOR Sperry/Catoosa/Tulsa daytimer still cheating (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, August 25 at 0508 UT, VG signal from ``U S Country`` = KGYN Guymon, and it has been thus for many nights now, obviously again ignoring its nighttime direxional null toward Philadelphia requirement (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA: STATIONS LEAVING THE AIR: 1340 KIHN OK Hugo ñ License cancelled, calls deleted; station failed to file for renewal so license expired as of 6/1/2013 (AM Switch, NRC DX News Aug 19 via DXLD) Shux; I never heard it on the far side of the state. Had it really been off the air longer? (gh, Enid, DX LISTENIN DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Re 12-33, WTNI off facilitating DX of KOAG? Not any more: see USA: 1640 [WORLD OF RADIO 1684]

** OKLAHOMA. 9730, August 23 at 1253 UT, ESPN programming is cutting on and off, // 1390 KCRC, my closest local in Enid, of which this is the seventh harmonic. Lower harmonics are also audible occasionally, so there may be something intermittent in the transmitter, altho

receiver overload may also be a factor. For the record here are the KCRC harmonic frequencies up to the sixteenth, and I hope there will be no need to compute higher ones: 2780, 4170, 5560, 6950, 8340, 9730, 11120, 12510, 13900, 15290, 16680, 18070, 19460, 20850, 22240. Strong local signal can also produce plus/minus mixes with extremely strong SW signals (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140, RSO 1416-1445 19 Aug. Modern "hip-pop", couple of canned IDs/jingles, "Big Ben"-style bells at BOH, TC for 6:30P, news (Egypt, Pakistan, US forces in Korea, floods in N. China), nice ID :40 "Radio Sultanate of Oman, 90.4 & 91.3", spacey streaming water intro to "Now, it's the time for call to prayer; Radio Sultanate of Oman", but no qira'ut, just more water-streaming sfx 'til :43, jingle & back to "hip-pop" (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/9m X wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 1260, Islamabad. Per Hiroyuki Okamura tip, R. Pakistan was heard on 1260.001 kHz today until -1813* UT, so apparently the planned 400 kW tx mentioned in the WRTH has now started (Mauno Ritola, Finland, mwoffsets Aug 19 via BC-DX Aug 29 via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3873.88v, UNIDENTIFIED (possibly NBC per David Sharp), 1126, August 22. Heard below threshold level (no audio); drifting around; gone by 1200 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3873.88v, UNIDENTIFIED, not heard at 1134 on August 24; undoubtedly due to NBC East New Britain (3385.0) also being off the air today.

David Sharp, Bryan Clark and I generally agree this UNID seems to be in sync with 3385.0, but what I cannot understand is, if it is a spur, then how can it be rapidly drifting around in frequency while the apparent primary signal/frequency is rock solid on 3385.0; never with any variation? To me that sounds more like an unstable tx? Is there such a thing as an unstable, drifting spur? A mystery to me. Have never heard or seen reports of a spur acting independently and separately from the primary signal/frequency. Any feedback appreciated! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I wonder if there's anything audible on 2896 or thereabouts when the 3874v is on (Jari Savolainen, Finland, Aug 25, ibid., WORLD OF RADIO 1684)

Yes, Jari, indeed there is (or was). On my return from Asia mid-month, the first thing I did was check this out. 15 August I found a poor signal on 3874.04 running parallel to Radio East New Britain on 3385.

I did some mathematics - the difference between 3385 and 3874 is 489 kHz. I then had a look at 2896 kHz and sure enough, there was the same signal - albeit much weaker than 3874 - I measured it as roughly 2895.02. The next night I estimated the frequency as 2896.10.

As Ron has pointed out, it is hard to understand why these spurious transmissions are wanderers when 3385 is stable. Last night I looked again and the 3385 frequency was empty, and so were the others. Tonight, at 0920 UT, 3385 is back but dramatically inferior level to what it has been - last week they were the strongest of the 90 metre PNGs. And nothing to be heard around 3874 at this time. Regards, (Bryan Clark, Mangawhai - NZ, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi David, August 25, with 3874.30v open carrier going off the air at 1159*, in sync with steady 3385.0 going off (Ron Howard, San Francisco, ibid.)

Hi Bryan, August 25, open carrier on 3874.30v, in sync with steady 3385.0 (NBC East New Britain) at cut off of 1159* (Ron Howard, San Francisco, ibid.)

August 26 at 0955 UT, 3385, Radio East New Britain was at very good level, while the wandering 'spurs' were:
3875.26 (490.26 kHz higher) - poor to fair.
2894.74 (exactly 490.26 kHz lower) - weak.
(Bryan Clark, Mangawhai - NZ, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4810, R. Logos, 1106, obliterated by ute if tuned in AM but completely readable if tuned in LSB; good with religious talks and local music, slight CODAR. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4955, R. CULTURAL AMAUTA, 26/08 0035 UT. Dos mujeres hablan en quechua, presentan m˙sica en el mismo idioma y en espaÒol con tem·ticas religiosas con buena modulaciÛn y SINPO: 44444 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** PERU [and non]. 5025, R. QUILLABAMBA, 26/08 0141 UT. M˙sica rom·ntica en espaÒol con seÒal estable, fuerte y SINPO: 53443 con mucho QRM de Rebelde en la misma frecuencia, durante algunos momentos. (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, August 24 at 0053, R. Chaski, some talk modulation audible, with splash worst during music from 5990 CRI/Cuba. Chaski carrier cuts off at 0102:14.5* which is 22 seconds later than last log 96 hours earlier, i.e. still averaging 5.5 seconds later per day (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5980, R. CHASKI, 26/08 0057 UT. Final del programa ìLos grandes temasî con anuncio de las direcciones postal y electrÛnica. A las 01 UT se indica la hora local peruana y se identifica como Red Radio Integridad con mensajes sobre la enseÒanza de la Biblia. Sale del aire a las 0102. SeÒal con tendencia a la sobremodulaciÛn y SINPO: 54454 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: 5 metros de alambre de cobre, QTH: Poblado de Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5980, August 27 at 0101, R. Chaski carrier on the FRG-7 is JBA until cutoff 0102:29.5*, which is 15 seconds later than last check 72 hours earlier, averaging 5 seconds later per night.

5980, August 28 at 0101, R. Chaski is JBA with carrier and traces of modulation until cutoff at 0102:34.5* which is 5 seconds later than yesterday. I am still avoiding the porch-with-mosquitoes so this is on the regular FRG-7 with external longwire (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5980, R. Chaski, 1114, presumed with talk by a Spanish man but mostly covered by ute. Poor. 28/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Ute? Or Cuban jamming against MartÌ (gh, DXLD)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. MOLDOVA, No broadcasts of Radio PMR on August 20
2300-2400 on 9665 KCH 300 kW / 309 deg to WeEu English Sun-Thu
2315-2330 on 9665 KCH 300 kW / 309 deg to WeEu German Sun-Thu
2330-2345 on 9665 KCH 300 kW / 309 deg to WeEu French Sun-Thu
2345-2400 on 9665 KCH 300 kW / 309 deg to WeEu English Sun-Thu
The regular broadcasts of Voice of Russia World Service started on the same frequency at 0000 UT on August 21. 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD) See 13-34!

** QATAR [non]. Re: Al Jazeera English Scrambled - OTA Changes

Wow, I would say Al-Jazeera has really shot themselves in the foot!?

I noticed last night that Buckeye cable, which has carried AJI (English program for international audiences) for years, had stopped carrying it. I then noticed that they are not carrying Al-Jazeera America EITHER! I was really about to chew out Buckeye big time until I read about this, not knowing it was AJ that got greedy.

I can't believe the management of AJ thought they were in a bargaining position comparable to ESPN!? In the sports-crazy, xenophobic, low-IQ market that the USA is, a station like AJ has to beg cable and satellite providers to carry their program for nothing! Spending half a billion for an established cable channel to get onto existing cable systems that carried it as Current TV was risky enough, by selling it as a premium channel, they risked locking themselves out of their own investment (Robert Grant, Aug 23, WTFDA via DXLD)

Woah! Lucky to be able to watch NHK World!!! Al-jazeera hasn't turned up on our cable system here (Charter). (Lenny Tone, ibid.)

That is disappointing to hear. I figured that would be a replacement for Galaxy 19's feed; however, I have found an alternate source for Al Jazerra English. The "World News Live" plug in for XBMC has the English version available for streaming, and checking it out last night, it worked without any geo-block (Jeff Kitsko, Unity Township, PA, ibid.)

And the AJE signal on 58w C band, formerly FTA, has been totally removed from the mux there (Jay Novello, Wake Forest NC, ibid.)

** QATAR [non]. AL JAZEERA AMERICA IS ACCURATE AND RESPONSIBLE -- BUT IS THAT ENOUGH? - The Washington Post
http://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/style/al-jazeera-america-is-accurate-and-responsible--but-is-that-enough/2013/08/20/d54cbc92-09dc-11e3-b87c-476db8ac34cd_print.html

Al Jazeera America is mostly what it aspires to be, but it needs to be more --- By Paul Farhi,

In the first few hours of its debut broadcast Tuesday, the new Al Jazeera America news channel proved itself to be what you might expect in a new mainstream news channel. It was accurate, responsible and technically polished.

The question is: Is that enough?

The odds against the channel attracting a healthy audience are so formidable -- more than half of American cable and satellite homes don't even receive it -- that Al Jazeera America (AJA) might need more than the just-the-facts-ma'am reporting that it aired in its debut. Despite its laudable goal of avoiding the polarizing aspects of cable news, AJA might be testing the proposition that the straight-up presentation of the news -- sans some of the smoke and sizzle -- can succeed in a crowded media landscape.

It's also testing whether Americans will embrace anything called Al

Jazeera. Al Jazeera America is the fully Americanized version of Al Jazeera English (AJE), the English-language version of Al Jazeera ñ the pan-Arabic satellite channel that revolutionized news reporting in the Middle East starting in 1996.

AJE launched in 2006 and was an immediate and lasting flop in the United States. Cable operators across the country declined to add it to their channel lineups.

So Al Jazeera's owner, the royal emir of the oil-rich Persian Gulf state of Qatar, decided to crash the lucrative American market the old-fashioned way: He bought his way in. In January, Al Jazeera paid $500 million for Current TV, the little-viewed network part-owned by Al Gore. Al Jazeera didn't want Current so much as it wanted Current's contracts with cable companies, which ensure that it is delivered to about 45 million American homes

Having only partially solved its distribution problem, AJA still faces what might be called a perception issue but should be called a prejudice issue.

Among some Americans, the name Al Jazeera is associated with broadcasts of Osama bin Laden's videotaped threats against the West, and anti-Americanism generally. More recently, the parent network has been harshly criticized inside and outside the United States for its allegedly biased coverage in support of ousted Egyptian president Mohamed Morsi and his organization, the Muslim Brotherhood.

AJA spent its first hour on the air Tuesday subtly addressing this elephant in its control room. It aired a series of promos featuring its anchors and reporters, but also interviews with everyday Americans attesting that the arrival of AJA was welcome because the American news media wasn't always so fair, either. Amid clips of MSNBC's Al Sharpton and Fox News's Bill O'Reilly, the central message was clear: Americans were being denied the news they deserve. "It's a business," one man says of AJA. "They're entitled to set up a business."

Some of the Americans featured in those promos weren't so ordinary: AJA slipped in clips of onetime Republican presidential candidate John McCain and former secretary of state Hillary Rodham Clinton praising Al Jazeera. Clinton, for example, said Al Jazeera "gets ratings" because "it's real news."

Amid all its hype about "telling stories that haven't been told before" and "putting the news in viewers' hands," AJA also told viewers that it had "created hundreds of jobs" by starting the network and building an elaborate newsroom in Manhattan.

AJA's initial news broadcast featured a conventional rundown of stories -- turmoil in Egypt, gunfire at an elementary school in Georgia, wildfires out West, a feature on the new San Francisco Bay Bridge span.

The broadcast featured a number of faces familiar to cable news junkies, such as former CNN anchor Tony Harris and former CNN business host Ali Velshi. Joie Chen, another former CNN anchor, hosts a prime-time show, and David Shuster, late of MSNBC, is a news analyst and reporter.

There was little flash. The lead story -- "team coverage" of the Egypt crisis -- consisted solely of talking-head reports from White House correspondent Mike Viqueira and Cairo reporter David Jackson, with Harris hopping in for some cross talk.

The other stories also were presented without gimmickry. If anything, AJA was behind the curve. The detention of reporter Glenn Greenwald's partner by anti-terrorism authorities in London aired more than 24 hours after the news broke; a story on Kodak's retrenchment missed some breaking news about the company winning court approval for its plan to emerge from bankruptcy protection.

"Inside Story," a panel-discussion program that followed the inaugural one-hour newscast, featured three academic experts on climate change. They essentially agreed that ocean levels are rising and that major American cities are threatened -- thereby producing none of the sparks that usually fly when such topics are discussed on cable TV.

To be sure, the network has a handsome look. Anchors deliver the news in front of a floor-to-ceiling video wall and, at times, they seem to be part of the news photo projected behind them. Names and datelines are rendered in distinctive yellow, black and white lettering.

At the moment, the national cable-news marketplace is bustling, and perhaps bursting. In addition to the four leaders -- Fox News, CNN, MSNBC and HLN -- there are successful niche and specialty players such as ESPN, CNBC, CSPAN, Bloomberg and the Weather Channel.

In late October, ABC News and Univision will launch Fusion, an English-language news-and-entertainment network aimed at younger Latinos. And that doesn't count foreign-based news sources that are trying to chip off their own sliver of American mind-share, from the BBC to Russia's RTV to China's state-run CCTV.

Al Jazeera America's slogan promises, "There's more to it." If it hopes to stand out in a crowded field, it knows it has to make good on that. (c) The Washington Post Company (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

AL JAZEERA AMERICA PROVES INTRIGUING === Rem Rieder, USA TODAY

Well, it certainly doesn't have flair. In fact, there are a lot of things that it doesn't have. Banter and repartee. Top-tier production values. A fast pace. Tabloid tales. Shouting pols and pundits. Pop culture tidbits.

Excellent!

Al Jazeera America, which launched Tuesday afternoon, is a cable news channel with a difference. It promised us it would be serious, and it wasn't kidding. I spent Wednesday binge-watching the new kid on the cable block, and I came away impressed. With some asterisks. . .
http://usatoday30.usatoday.com/MONEY/usaedition/2013-08-23-Rieder-Al-Jazeera-America-intriguing-new-cable-player_ST_U.htm
(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Hi Glenn, Totally in shock at the VOR announcement that is blowing up on Facebook and the SW blogs. There was a message posted about 2 hours ago by [banned name] saying that they got a message from the Letters Dept saying that "it was leaning toward that way." I have emailed them a couple of times over the summer about things and never got a response back (very unusual considering my relationship with them.) I figured this summer something might be up. I am wondering what you have heard if anything.

Will things go to web casts, what will happen to the employees and what is going to happen to the huge buildings in the NW part of Moscow that are the foreign employee housing? I just never saw this coming, and if this is true, it is a sad day for SW in general. Many thanks
(Maryanne Kehoe, August 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Maryanne, Only have this news story about it:
http://en.ria.ru/russia/20130821/182889844/Voice-of-Russia-Radio-Stops-Shortwave-Service.html

Beyond that is speculation. I will speculate that they will continue in some languages via MW, FM relays abroad, and webcasts, as the issue seems to be paying for the SW transmissions.

Surprised you are surprised, as this is unfortunately the trend among once-major SW broadcasters, and VOR has already pared itself down to a thin image of its former glory.

If you do hear anything from your contacts, let us know. 73, (Glenn to Maryanne, via DXLD)

Hi Glenn, I suppose I *shouldn't* be surprised as the majority of SW broadcasters are going in this direction. I know after the Aum Shinrikyo fiasco (where the rented out major blocks of transmitter space because they needed the money at the time), that they would be more careful about who they rented time out to in the future.

I noticed last March/April they were getting lax about returning emails and responding to letters. I also heard this from other people. At that time I was beginning to think something was afoot, but I wasn't sure what it was. In fact I have emailed Estelle several times and I have never heard back from her.

I certainly hope some resemblance of SW time can be salvaged although it never will return to what i was back in the day (when I would be able to listen to them on the way home from work on the 1040 AM [Cuba] frequency!) Certainly if I hear anything I will let you know (Maryanne Kehoe, GA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: RUSSIA: V of Russia to stop SW? The original, of which they did not get the self-quotation / translation really right: http://digit.ru/state/20130821/404590031.html

What it specifies is that Voice of Russia terminated almost all of its remaining use of RTRS facilities, effective 1 Jan 2014. Only some mediumwave services from Pridnestrovye, Kaliningrad and Sakhalin are supposed to continue.

The article further states that transmissions via foreign partners will generally continue. However, it appears that those who blew the whistle are not too well informed in this regard and it remains to be seen what will happen in detail. What has already been hinted otherwise is that the use of the Zehlendorf transmitter on 693 kHz will likely cease on 31 Dec 2013 (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 5930, August 25 at 1219, techno-beat music from R. Rossii, fair signal // weaker 5940, i.e. Pet/Kam and Magadan respectively, currently in the clear for their final hour of the day after WWCR 5935 between them closes at 1200. R. Rossii has a good variety of late-night music from one day to the next; as more and more darkness falls upon Siberia, reception is seasonally improving (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12070, Moscow Taldom powerhouse of Radio Rossii program to Russian nationals living in western Europe. Signal strength reminiscent of old Soviet days --- S=9+45dB, "bend the signal strength needle". 0635 UT Aug 28 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 15585, August 25 at 1254, classical music with flutter, 1259 Golos Rossii ID. HFCC shows 250 kW, 117 degrees from Moskva site, and no sign of Spain which is supposed to be on here too. Aoki shows 500 kW, 115 degrees, and Spain not starting until 1400 on Sundays, 1500 on Saturdays. Little if anything else from Europe making it on 19m. (And hardly any signal from KBS on 15575) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA [non]. Starting August 31, 2013, a new radio station will start broadcasting on shortwave. It concerns Radio Inyabutatu.

Radio Inyabutatu will broadcast on Saturdays from 1700 to 1800 UT on 17870 kHz in the 16 meter band. For more information, visit http://www.radioinyabutatu.com
(TDP yg Aug 27 via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD; also via Alokesh Gupta, dxldyg via DXLD)

I also got this from the long-dormant TDP yg. Beware: audio autolaunches from website, QRMing whatever you are already listening to online.

Language? Looks sorta like Swahili, but it`s not, confirmed by attempt to google translate one page introducing the operation.

http://www.radioinyabutatu.com/index.php/83-radio-inyabutatu/inyabutatunews/143-radio-inyabutatu-kuri-sw-shortwave

Not enough x`s in it to be Somali.

Apparently originates in UK with 44+ phonenumber. Also mentions Nairobi and Rwanda times, 250 kW. At first suspected site would be mentioned Kigali, but no good for 16m broadcast *to* Rwanda.

One header in English reads Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom. Suspect it`s Christian/religious. Probably is KinyaRwanda, but Google is a bit deficient in African languages, in fact nothing available but Swahili (and Arabic).

There is already a lot on the web about Radio Inyabutatu, but hardly anything in English (or even French), including:
https://www.facebook.com/pages/Radio-Inyabutatu/361133737329616
Politician Paul Kagame apparently likes it. {not}

WRTH does not include it among the local stations in Rwanda.
(Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here`s what it`s about, in English:

http://www.radioinyabutatu.com/index.php/83-radio-inyabutatu/inyabutatunews/132-message-of-congratulations

UHAWE IKAZE KURI RADIO INYABUTATU
MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS
??????? ??????
joomla

Ref: RK/J17/13
24th June 2013
President Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete
United Republic of Tanzania.
Your Excellency,

RE: MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS

We introduce ourselves as Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom ìIhuriro ryíInyabutatu-RPRKî based on a Constitutional monarchy.

Surely, your advice to President Kagame to open a dialogue with the opposition is ìthe bestî. We wish to congratulate His exellency President Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete for the constructive initiative. Also we wish His excellency to continue being an inspiration for a peaceful solution and a fervent Supporter of Human Rights across the Great Lakes Region.

We have repeatedly called without success President Paul Kagame for a dialogue and we hope this time he will take advantage of your constructive advice.

We enclose a copy of a recent CommuniquÈ for sharing this painful commemoration with the survivors and those whose beloved ones were killed during the genocide against the Tutsis in Rwanda in 1994.

Kindest Regards.
Eugene NKUBITO
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CC:
-His Holiness Pope Francis, Apostolic Palace, Vatican City [and a huge list of other VIP ccs] (via gh, dxldyg via DXLD)

RPRK Political Agenda at
http://murengerantwari.unblog.fr/2011/01/29/the-rwandese-protocol-to-return-the-kingdom-rprks-political-agenda/

(Jari Savolainen, Finland, ibid.) Viz.:

THE RWANDESE PROTOCOL TO RETURN THE KINGDOM (RPRK)íS POLITICAL AGENDA

Background:

It is by no chance that the Rwandese are pre-dominantly spread all over the world especially in the countries neighboring Rwanda, Canada, France, Belgium, USA and so many others.

To a greater extent, these dispersions are not by choice but have been due to political upheavals in Rwanda.

The continuous explosive political impasse being the most current one in Rwanda under President Paul Kagame.

To some extent, one could think that after the 1994 genocide, where RPF promised to reverse the violent history of the past, establish a political system that would maintain multiparty democracy instead has created a shadow of multiparty democracy that does not provide real opportunity for political dialogue. RPF maintains its monopoly of political power by means of repressive laws, unfair and illegal administrative practices, fear intimidation and violence.

Before that, perpetual governments which were automatic and kept on preying on its citizenry. The struggle in Rwanda of competition for power and access to resources has often unleashed cataclysmic conflict, killings and untold human sufferings, violence

including crimes against humanity and genocide. All this has continued to bleed violence and bloodshed.

Consequently, Rwanda is sinking day by day into a social ñ economic and political disaster. The no resolution of internal conflicts in Rwanda is the main factor of hatching and development the political unrest. Rwanda has become a source of structural tension and political conflict and instability. As such no political, social, economic and cultural economy.

It is against this background, that the (RPRK) ñ The Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom programme was incepted on the 16th July 2007. The RPRK is a political party which is broad based organization for all Rwandese to exert pressure and advocate for political reforms and democratic change through peaceful means.

In other words, the return of the King from exile and restoration of the constitutional monarchy is one of the Agenda that we seek to put forward as a solution to the political problems in Rwanda.

Constitutional monarchy
Definition:

A monarchy in which the powers of the ruler are restricted to those granted under the constitution and laws of the nation. Constitutional monarchy: benefits

Monarchy tends to involve a professional life-long commitment. The other often cited advantage is that monarchs do not represent specific political views, and that they provide political stability or act as a symbol of the state or nation.

Monarchy acts as a guardian of a nationís heritage, a living reminder of the events and personalities that have shaped it. As such it is a powerful focus for loyalty and a source of strength in times of crisis.

A common feature of governments based on the Constitutional Monarchy system is that the Head of State is separated from the Head of Government. The monarch can therefore

serve as a head of state and represent the country while the day-to-day running of the country is carried out by the government, with the Head of Government being the Prime Minister.

As a national stake holder, Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom (RPRK), we have experienced that the 52 years since the establishment of Republic (after the military coup led by Belgian Armed Forces in 1959, Ref: UN Resolution 1580). After which in 1959,1961,1974, 1994 thousands of Rwandans fled the country to this day. In the 52 years since the Republic was established, Rwandans have been massacred as animals, for instance, thousands of Rwandans were killed in 1959 during the campaign of establishing the Republic, thousands of innocent Rwandans were also massacred , in 1961, 1974, and 1990. In 1994, over a million of innocent Rwandans were killed and over two millions fled to neighboring countries, the first time in the history of Rwanda, the word ìGenocideî is now inclusive.

In 1996, thousands of Rwandans were attacked in various refugee camps in formerly Zaire, innocent children and women were killed. Even today the rate of Rwandans fleeing their country have increased due to political instability, lack of democracy, public funds are misused, the rate of poverty had increased due to selfish policies, no freedom of press mostly in private media. Politicians and Journalists are killed due to differences in views and opinions, others fled their country because of their security; other politicians are killed when they are in exile. Assassinating politicians has became culture in Rwanda since the establishment of the Republic; that is from the

regime of President Gregory Kayibanda, General Juvenal Habyarimana and the current regime of President Paul KAGAME.

The above has become a problem to the extent that many Rwandans are exiled yet they have their mother country of which they should be part of in the national building. However, this is not possible the regime has failed to recognize the importance and contribution of the monarchy and other ideologies to the modern politics of Rwanda.

Therefore, we, the Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom (RPRK) are dedicated to our main political agenda outlined as follows:

1. The return of the king and his community from exile and restoration of the Rwandan kingdom based on the Constitutional Monarchy.

2. Political democracy, based on the Rwandaís sovereignty, and on the separation and interdependence of power institutions, on pluralism of opinion and political organizations, on individual and collective liberties, on the direct participation of citizens and the people in political affairs and in monitoring and over viewing the exercise of power;

3. Economic democracy based on the subordination of economic power structures to democratic political power structures, on social ownership of the major and strategic sectors of the economy as well as of the main national resources, on the democratic planning of the economy, on the coexistence of different economic formations, on workersí control of management, and on workersí real participation and say in the management of public companies and capital;

4. Social democracy based on the effective exercise of peopleís rights, on the right to a job and a fair wage and to adequate living conditions for all citizens, on full and equal access to social services and benefits, specifically as concerns health, education, housing, social security, physical exercise, sports and leisure;

5. Cultural democracy based on true access by the masses of the people to culture, the creation and enjoyment of culture, and on freedom and support for cultural production.

6. Peace and Security to all people and their assets, freedom of speech as well as freedom of press.

7. Unit and reconciliation based on Rwandan traditional culture, where the monarchy will play a vital role in uniting the Rwandan Community.

Conclusion

We declare that, RPRK remains opened to all Rwandese who would like to join it and who support its program. We are asking international community to support RPRK political agenda and for the return of the Rwandan King Kigeli V NDAHINDURWA and all refugees to Rwanda.

The RPRK need to rebuild a society in which monarchists, republicans and others can live peacefully side by side and give the basic fundamental human rights to the future generations of Rwanda.

We, the founders of the Rwandese Protocol to Return the Kingdom (RPRK) witness this document with our own hand signatures bellow. Done at Nairobi- Kenya, on the 16th July 2007.

1. Chairman: Eugene Nkubito (see RPRK Logo)
2. Secretary General: Jackson Munyeragwe (see RPRK Logo)
3. Treasurer: Emmanuel Gapfizi (see RPRK Logo)
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(via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

Hi Glenn, some material: TDP 17870 kHz to Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda, looks like Issoudun TDP ORIGIN? [WORLD OF RADIO 1684]

Eugene NKUBITO --- see - stumbled upon it -
some different persons with same name ?

> The return of the king from exile and restoration of the kingdom.
> CC: - His Majesty the King of Rwanda Kigeli V NDAHINDIRWA in USA

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Col. Eugene Nkubito, the RDF 511 Brigade Commander
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Language is not Swahili, but Kinyarwanda?
[Listen to and read news in Kinyarwanda on BBC Gahuza online]

see the head of the station Eugene NKUBITO
but was already also Head of UN Rwanda organization
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NCOs train the trainers in Rwanda --- GABIRO, Rwanda - A breeze from.
across the Rwandan savannah lifted a ... Rwandan infantry school in
Gabiro is focused. on developing squad leaders skills using ... vy73
de wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SARAWAK [non]. 15420, August 27 at 1216, still no signal from R.
Free Sarawak via Taiwan (or Palau?); in fact 19m is almost dead except

for a bit o` Cuba and China. We were certainly fortunate to hear RFS on its first day back on the air when it ran until 1321 instead of 1230 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 15379.972, Morning Holy Qur`an prayer from Riyadh, S=9+20dB at 0617 UT, Aug 28. \\ 9714.926 latter non-directional service to Near East scheduled 0300-0957 UT, noted with weak signal into Germany at 0640 UT.

15285.028, BSKSA Riyadh in Swahili to NE Africa, heard with side lobe on S=7-8 level at 0622 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SERBIA [non]. BOSNIA/SERBIA, International Radio Serbia appeared on shortwave again: 1730-1800 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Italian on August 22 --- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

9685, August 27 at 0101, still no signal from International Radio Serbia, and still no hue & cry nor moaning & groaning that I have noticed about another station abandoning SW to North America; no reply and no explanation from IRS, and Europeans are still hearing it on some services to there via other frequencies, altho seemingly sporadically.

They never answered my e-mail inquiry, but lest IRS conclude they really have no audience in North America, I suggest that others ask them where they went? Contact e-mail on website is:
radioju @ sbb.rs
Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
.rs an unusual domain not starting with the country`s primary letter

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, S.I.B.C., 1148 Island music, 1151 with ID and events list of meetings and such, followed by Christian song, then devotional Bible message in English, 1159 ìYou have been listening to the Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation, Radio Happy Islesî, frequencies, national anthem to close at 1200. Poor, Aug 24 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 5085, August 24 at 0533, Brother Scare is again blasting away on WTWW-2, now seemingly regular. Unknown if really straight thru all-night but I would assume so. More at USA: WTWW

5085, August 28 at 0057, WTWW-2 is back here with Brother Scare, instead of 9930 yesterday, which was apparently a test or fluke, failure to switch to night frequency. 5085 still going at 0521 check -

-- and at 1259 when I notice the audio is way behind 9980 WWCR; just before finally switching to 9930 which comes up at *1300:23 with BS in progress; 1300 is also the time that WTWW-1 switches from 5830 to 9479; and about when WTWW-3 comes on 12105 in Russian Bibling (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [and non]. 5970, Sunday August 25 at 1216, Antonio Buitrago`s distinctive Castilisping voice and equally distinctive liners on `Amigos de la Onda Corta` from REE during this hour Sundays. Only poor signal as usual from the CR relay aimed away from us, so how is // 11815? A bit stronger at 1224, but with usual NHK co-channel mix.

Neither is sufficient, and meanwhile the third transmitter in COSTA RICA is gathering dust (or already stripped?) since REE deleted all relays northward except DRM. Reception is axually better from the Beijing, CHINA relay on 11910 at 1225, interview about satÈlites; tho fluttery and unreliable. Nothing direct from Spain is making it on 15, 17 or 21 MHz.

11795, August 27 at 0105, VG open carrier, no doubt REE already on prior to 0115 Sephardic service, UT Tuesdays only for S America on a clear frequency instead of seasonal collision with Brasil 11780.

11910, August 27 at 1239, REE via CHINA is fair with flutter featuring songs in Asturian language; mentioned ``El Tambor Amarillo`` a couple times, showname? // 11815 via CR had the usual Japanese music CCI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. Monitored schedule of Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation/SLBC/
The station is on air different days on different weeks of the month:
1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Fri/Sat 1st
1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Thu/Sat 2nd
1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Wed/Sat 3rd
1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Tue/Wed/Thu/Sat 4th
1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 5th
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** SUDAN [non]. 17745, August 22 at 1715, poor signal in Arabic, i.e. Sudan Radio Service for Darfur, 1600-1730, 250 kW, 135 degrees from Woofferton UK, per Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. Received in the p-mail August 23, envelope from R. Taiwan International, metered, no stamp. Includes a nice but blank QSL card illustrating ``Paiwan and Rukai Settlement: Slate Houses`` (I hope that`s right: font is almost too tiny to read). This must be in reply to e-mail I sent advising them that they were about to lose their N American audience by not replacing defunct WYFR relay; I did not send

a formal reception report. Encouraging one is a light-weight RR form.

Also sent Spring and Summer 2013 issues of slick 4-page newsletter Taipeiwave, with several interesting articles based on programming. The spring issue also welcomed newhost, John Barthelette. Two sheets of English program grid and frequency schedules, one expected to be effective 03/31/2013 to 10/27/2013, but superseded by another one 07/1/2013 to 10/27/2013 removing WYFR and updating the frequency schedule, but also removing John already as a program host. He had been doing `The Occidental Tourist` (get it?) on Sundays, co-hosting `We`ve Got Mail` with Shirley Lin on Tuesdays, and `On the Clock` on Thursdays, which was about jobs.

Here`s the current program schedule effective 2013/07/01, in minutes past the hours:

DAILY
00-10, News

SUNDAY:
10, People, Shirley Lin
25, Classic Shorts, Natalie Tso
30, The Occidental Tourist, Shirley Lin
40, On the Line, Carlson Wong

MONDAY-FRIDAY:
10-25, Hear in Taiwan, various

MONDAY:
25, Chinese to Go, Huang Shih-han
30, Soundwaves, Shirley Lin

TUESDAY:
25, We`ve Got Mail, Shirley Lin

WEDNESDAY:
25, Time Traveler, Huang Shih-han
35, Jade Bells and Bamboo Pipes, Carlson Wong

THURSDAY:
25, Original Waves, various
40, Eye on China, Natalie Tso
50, Chinese to Go, Huang Shih-han

FRIDAY:
25, Taiwan Today, Natalie Tso
40, Women Making Waves, Paula Chao
50, Ear to the Ground, Andrew Ryan

SATURDAY:
10, Soft Power, various
25, Feast Meets West, Ellen Chu and Andrew Ryan

And the English frequency schedule, reworked here to time order:

SE Asia	0300-0400	15320
SE Asia	1100-1200	7445 1359
Philippines	1100-1200	1359
China	1600-1700	6180
South Asia	1600-1700	15485
Africa	1700-1800	15690
Europe	1800-1900	6155

Lotsa luck hearing any of these (well) in N America. Relay sites not given, but HFCC shows 6155, 15485 and 15690 are FRANCE, as long as they are listed as ``RFI TDF`` with no mention of RTI, banned from HFCC by the ChiCom. BTW, the MW relays on 1210 in Sacramento and 750 in Baltimore have also been deleted.

I am also now the proud owner of a 15-digit ID number in the RTI database, so look forward to more p-mail if not SW signals (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not just the ChiCom but the Taiwanese think big: 15 digits means one less than one quadrillion possible numbers, easily dwarfing the entire human population of The World, let lone China (gh, DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot: 4765.045, Tajik Radio, Dushanbe Yangi Yul site, S=8 in SoWeGER (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 9390, Radio Thailand, 1255 English, ID and into closing news items which seemed to be mostly from the US and on health issues, 1259:30 off suddenly. Fair, Aug 24 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Summer A-13 schedule of Radio Thailand (HSK9):
0000-0030 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English
0030-0100 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 038 deg to NWAm English

0100-0200 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 038 deg to NWAm Thai
0200-0230 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English
0230-0330 on 15275 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm Thai

0530-0600 on 17770 UDO 250 kW / 308 deg to WeEu English

1000-1100 on 17770 UDO 250 kW / 305 deg to N&ME Thai

1100-1115 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to Vietnamese
1115-1130 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to SEAs Khmer
1130-1145 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to SEAs Lao
1145-1200 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 284 deg to SEAs Burmese

1200-1215 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 154 deg to SEAs Bahasa Malay

1230-1300 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to SEAs English

1300-1315 on 9795 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to EaAs Japanese
1315-1330 on 9795 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to EaAs Mandarin
1330-1400 on 9795 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to EaAs Thai

1400-1430 on 9950 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to SEAs English

1800-1900 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai

1900-2000 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 329 deg to WeEu English

2000-2015 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu German
2030-2045 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu English
2045-2115 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** TIBET [non-log]. 4820 and 4920, August 24, currently off the air allowing for reception of AIR (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See INDIA

** TIBET [non]. Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet from August 21:
1230-1245 NF 15553 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15557
1245-1300 NF 15558 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15563
1315-1345 NF 15563 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15568
1345-1400 NF 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15562
1400-1430 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15568
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** TRANSKEI [and non]. Re ```Wasn`t Capital Radio originally in ``Transkei``? (gh)```

They were also on SW (Terry Krueger, FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, That was before my time here, but this is how I understand matters:

Yes, Capital radio was originally in the Transkei. It was set up in December 1979, based in Port St. Johns on the Transkei coast. It became famous for the quality of its programming (especially news), rather than the quality of its reception. Its only competition at the time was the boring old SABC stations pushing the government"s agendas (much as they still do, in my opinion).

It is probably no coincidence that the Transkei was one of the so-called "independent" homelands. It was set up by the SA apartheid government in 1963, and became nominally independent in 1976, which may well have played a part in the original decision to site Capital Radio there. It was an English-language station, and much of its listenership was further north in neighbouring Natal, notably in Durban and Pietermaritzburg.

There is a parallel here with Talk Radio 702 (now on 92.7 and 106 FM), which was originally set up in the nominally independent homeland of Bophuthatswana in 1980. 702's target audience was the densely populated areas of Pretoria and Johannesburg. Although it started off as a music station, it switched to the talk format in 1988.

Being based in the homelands, both Capital and 702 were able to broadcast news and other material that would have been impossible on South African soil. The apartheid government could do nothing about this without appearing totally hypocritical, because it was representing the homelands to the entire world as independent entities.

Following independence in 1994, Natal became part of the new KwaZulu-Natal (usually abbreviated here to KZN) province. The Transkei homeland was disbanded and became part of the new Eastern Cape province. Similarly, the Bophuthatswana homeland was incorporated into the new North West Province, whilst Pretoria and Jo'burg formed the bulk of the new Gauteng province. And 702 moved to Jo'burg.

It remains to be seen whether the new incarnation of Capital Radio will be multicultural, or English language-based. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Perhaps not so widely known: The 500 kW transmitter there has in early 1986 been sold for 800,000 USD to Trans World Radio and shipped to Bonaire where it replaced the original 800 kHz transmitter from 1964. It stayed in use there until it was replaced by the current 100 kW facility in 1999 (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

** UGANDA. 4976.062, Very, very low modulation of an otherwise strong S=9+10dB carrier signal here in SoWeGermany. Could it be Radio Uganda Kampala's whole night service? Low modulation station on 4976.062 kHz

at 0112 UT Aug 22 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DXLD)

** UKRAINE. Ukraine switched to digital terrestrial television - Chairman of the State Television and Radio.

And yesterday, on the UR1 in the "Order denny" was its wider interview in which he also talked about the prospects of the introduction of digital broadcasting in Ukraine in 2015. Ironically, he said a lot of attention is paid to the combined system of the AM-DRM on medium wave. They intend to install many of these transmitters to cover a high-quality radio programs broadcast by at least two ~ 90% of the population. Well, as usual, it all depends on adequate financing ... (Alexander Yegorov, Kiev, Ukraine / "deneb-radio-dx" & "open_dx" via RusDX Aug 25 via DXLD)

** U K [non]. 6005, August 26 at 0458, BaBcoCk music loop is playing; we`re still waiting for anyone to identify it. How about the app that figures out tunes from a few notes? In the clear tnx to temporary absence of Cuba from 6000 (and permanently from 6010). 0500 BBCWS news in English still unimpeded but only fair, 27 degrees from ASCENSION, but // 7355 at 102 degrees is always good for us. Cuba [q.v.] came up on 6000 later (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [non]. 5840, Aug 27 at 1208, surprised to find weak but mostly readable signal in English about Turkey, BBCWS? Yes, same on Singapore 6195 at 1211. First checking HFCC, it`s on 5845, not 5840, and not starting until 1400, so no fit there. Then I consult Aoki:

``5840*BBC 1200-1400 ..3..6. English 250 25 Nakhon Sawan THA 1503N 10004E BBC a13 Jun. 28``

This is day 3 = Tuesday. So it`s one of those jumparound transmitters, supposedly to confuse ChiCom jamming (none heard; are they still attacking English broadcasts from BBC et al.?), and nothing on 5875 where BBC used to be and per Aoki still is, same parameters on days 1 and 4 only, since end of June. And 5820 on days 2 and 7, leaving day 5 unaccounted for, at least in this band area (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Day 5 is 5980, as in the below:

U.K.(non) Frequency changes of BBC:
0000-0100 on 7320 DHA 250 kW / 075 deg SoAs English, additional freq
0100-0200 on 9500 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg SoAs English, additional freq
1200-1400 NF 5820 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg EaAs English Mon/Sat, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5840 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg EaAs English Tue/Fri, ex 5875
1200-1400 on 5875 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg EaAs English Wed/Sun, ex Daily
1200-1400 NF 5980 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg EaAs English Thu, ex 5875
1300-1400 on 15420 SEY 250 kW / 285 deg EaAf Somali Sat till August 31

1300-1400 on 17830 SEY 250 kW / 295 deg EaAf Somali Sat till August 31
1300-1400 on 21470 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg EaAf Somali till August 31
1330-1600 on 17780 ASC 250 kW / 065 deg WeAf Hausa Sat till August 31
1400-1500 on 15420 SEY 250 kW / 285 deg EaAf Somali Sun-Fri till 8/31
1400-1500 on 17830 SEY 250 kW / 295 deg EaAf Somali Sun-Fri till 8/31
1400-1500 on 21470 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg EaAf Somali till August 31
1400-1600 on 17830 MEY 250 kW / 032 deg EaAf Somali Sat till August 31
1500-1600 on 21470 ASC 250 kW / 085 deg EaAf Somali Sat till August 31
1500-1600 on 9735 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg SoAs English, additional freq
1600-1700 on 9910 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg SoAs English, additional freq
1830-1900 NF 9720 MEY 250 kW / 005 deg ECAf Kirundi Mon-Fri,ex 15790-
- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30
m. long wire, New email: ivo.observer@gmail.com August 29, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 10051-USB, August 22 at 0530, New York Radio is on the air, but like yesterday, VOLMET is ``missing`` for Chicago-O`Hare, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Detroit, and Boston, as robo-announced over and over. At 1337 check, no signals at all on 10051-USB or 13270-USB.

10051-USB, August 23 at 0531, NY Radio VOLMET, WSY70 is back in whack after several days of ``missing`` airports. Milwaukee conditions at the moment. At 0535 also audible on 3485-USB, but nothing on 2000-USB or 6604-USB.

13270-USB, August 23 at 1339, ditto with St. Louis VOLMET.

10051-USB, August 23 at 1348, very poor with 2-way/SELCALL ACI on the lo side. All are quite weak, maybe just poor propagation. At 1351, same frequency has been handed over to Gander with St. John`s weather, but hardly any stronger.

2000-USB, Aug 26 at 0536, New York Radio is back on its strange medium frequency! Barely audible after missing a few weeks(?) this month. Pays to keep checking, once BFO is tuned to exactly 5000 WWV, minus 3 MHz on the FRG-7.

Furthermore, Pittsburgh is not ``missing``. Then I check the other WSY70 frequencies: nothing audible on 3485, 6604 or 13270, but good on 10051-USB at 0539 when Atlantic City VOLMET is not missing. Seems it`s potluck which of their frequencies will be active at any given time.

2000-USB, August 27 at 0541, New York Radio, WSY70 is JBA with VOLMET; at first tune I thought it was off, but once I had zeroed in on exact 5000.00 WWV and tuned down exactly 3 MHz, could detect it (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. VOICE OF AMERICA IS LATE IN POSTING NEWS STORIES, GETS

PUMMELED BY BBC, RUSSIA TODAY AND AL JAZEERA IN SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

By BBGWatcher on 27 August 2013 in Featured News, Hot Tub Blog with No Comments --- BBG Watch Commentary

Consequences of allowing the worst management team in the federal government to continue to run the Voice of America (VOA) can be seen every day in late posting of important news stories and dismal audience engagement through social media.

These are some of the most visible and most troubling symptoms of mismanagement and record low employee morale within VOA and the agency's management arm, the International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB). Employee moral and management leadership skills are measured by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) in the Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey (FEVS). The Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG), of which IBB and VOA are the two largest federal components, have been near the very bottom of every FEVS survey in recent years.

Rather than replacing discredited managers who can't get the news posted on time and specialize instead in attacking and intimidating employees and outside critics, the agency's executive staff is protecting its own ranks within IBB and those in charge of VOA. BBG members have tried to reform the bureaucracy but have encountered strong resistance and so far have not been successful.

Voice of America was late in reporting on Kerry's statement on Syria

BBC reports on Kerry's statement on Syria

The latest example of the nearly complete breakdown of prompt news coverage came today (Monday) when the Voice of America English website was again late in reporting on news stories originating within a few miles of its headquarters in Washington, DC. BBC was faster than VOA in reporting on Secretary of State John Kerry's statement on the use of chemical weapons in Syria, as well as on the story of U.S. Army sergeant receiving the Medal of Honor from President Obama. These were not news stories that required special fact checking that might account for a delayed posting. The Voice of America was simply late and got beaten by BBC, Russia Today and Al Jazeera not only in prompt reporting but also in audience engagement through social media.

BBC had Kerry's statement in RED in its breaking news bar at the top by 3:08 PM EDT.

VOA had nothing visible in its breaking news bar which is so small at the top that one can hardly read it.

The Voice of America English news report, US: Must be Accountability for Syria Chemical Weapons Attack, had only 42 Facebook "Likes" and 16 Tweets as of late Monday night.

The BBC English news report, Syria chemical attack undeniable, says John Kerry, had 3,512 Facebook "Likes" and 1,148 Tweets as of late Monday night.

The Russia Today English news report, US accuses Syrian government of using chemical weapons and destroying evidence, had 2,100 Facebook "Likes and 348 Tweets as of late Monday night.

The Al Jazeera English news report, Kerry: Syria gas attack a moral obscenity, had 1,123 Facebook "Likes" and 133 Tweets as of late Monday night.

VOA was late in reporting on the Medal of Honor story
BBC beat VOA in reporting on the Medal of Honor story

On the Medal of Honor story, in addition to having an old headline, US Army Sergeant to Receive Medal of Honor Monday, compared to the BBC, the VOA story used an old photo -- from April 2013, while the BBC has the actual photo from today's ceremony.

In fact, the outdated Medal of Honor story was not even an original VOA report but a short news item from Reuters. The Voice of America management resorts more and more to using Reuters reports for major news stories rather than providing original news reporting by VOA correspondents. Needless to say, international audiences are turning away from VOA as seen by social media engagement numbers.

The VOA Medal of Honor story, which was eventually updated, had only 8 (eight) Facebook Likes and 18 Tweets as of late Monday evening.

The BBC Medal of Honor story had 1,478 Facebook "Likes" and 542 Tweets as of late Monday evening.
VOA Medal of Honor story gets 8 Facebook Likes

VOA Medal of Honor story gets 8 Facebook Likes.
BBC Medal of Honor Story gets 1,478 Facebook Likes

How Did VOA Do in Social Media Engagement on Kerry Compared to BBC, Russia Today, and Al Jazeera?

The VOA English news story on Secretary Kerry's statement on the use of chemical weapons in Syria was not only late being posted on the VOA website, it also had far fewer details when compared to reporting by

BBC, Russia Today and Al Jazeera.

VOA languages services did equally poorly in audience engagement through social media on this story, even in countries such as Russia where Facebook and Twitter use is very high. VOA language services rely on VOA Central English News for reporting on such general news stories.

They were all late in reporting on Secretary Kerry's statement and used the VOA English report. As of late Monday night, the VOA Russian Service report translated from English, Gossekretar' SSHA: pravitel'stvo Sirii pytaetsya unichtozhit' dokazatel'stva prichastnosti k himicheskoj atake, received only 3 (three) Facebook "Likes", 3 (three) Tweets and 0 (zero) Likes on the VK social media site which is popular in Russia.

Voice of America Director David Ensor was bragging recently about the launch of new VOA mobile and tablet apps that work on iPhones, iPads, and Android devices, VOA Rolls Out Mobile App with News in 43 Languages.

"Everything is available in one place now," says VOA Director David Ensor. "This is a big step forward, and these apps open up the Internet to a new generation of mobile users."

The problem is that the Voice of America under David Ensor's leadership is no longer capable of delivering prompt and interesting news to international audiences, neither in English nor in most cases in other languages as well.

One could only ask why it took VOA so long to come up with these apps that do not even offer foreign language options right from the start (English is the default language) and require users who may not read English to set their own languages?

Was VOA and IBB management eyeing the domestic U.S. market in anticipation of the lifting of the Smith-Mundt restrictions while continuing to neglect news reporting for foreign audiences?

But whether the VOA news comes in English or in any other language, it will not attract readers and social media users in the United States or abroad if the news is late, short and boring.

VOA story gets 42 Facebook Likes.
BBC story gets 3,512 Facebook Likes
RT story gets 2,100 Facebook Likes

Al Jazeera story gets 1,100 Facebook Likes

VOA Russian story translated from VOA English gets only 3 Facebook Likes

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To paraphrase the first broadcasts from the Voice of America to Europe during WWII: The news may be good or it may be bad - we shall tell you the truth." That is not the case within the Agency. One hesitates to tell VOA upper management the truth - especially if it may not be to their liking. Because if you do --- there is always the fear that Agency officials will go after you.

Any AFGE Local 1812 member who may be thinking of expressing himself / herself freely in one of the Town Hall meetings or other forums has to think long and hard about what happens to people who do not agree with upper management and dare to express an opinion that deviates from the top management Party line.

There is the case of former VOA senior correspondent Gary Thomas, who showed courage reporting for the Agency in Iraq and Afghanistan. But as soon as he published a thoughtful article about the challenges faced by VOA in the Columbia Journalism Review, he was targeted.

According to BBG Watch, Mr. Thomas stated: "VOA, and specifically Kyle King, tried to get Columbia Journalism Review to quash my piece prior to publication by calling the magazine's editors to trash me. According to one of the CJR editors, King told CJR that I was a `problematic employee'. As for the questions that I posed that management describes as `inflammatory and biased', VOA management seems to forget that it is a journalist's job to ask tough questions. That's in a journalist's DNA. Refusing to answer questions because you don't like them is what politicians do. VOA management should know better."

Rank and file employees are not the only ones who must be careful what they say and do. Take the case of former Governor Victor Ashe who found himself trashed in an official report. Commenting on an AFGE Local 1812 tribute to former BBG Governor Ashe posted on BBG Watch and addressing the contention that the Governor was the target of a State Department Inspector General report, someone with the pseudonym "Mongoose" wrote:

"the Inspector General's report was initiated because former Governor Ashe was a constant barrier to progress in BBG public meetings and worked against decisions made by the Board, including some he voted for." We wonder: where did this person get what seems like insider information? As our members well know, Ambassador Ashe spent most of his term as Governor trying to improve the management at this Agency which has been consistently ranked as one of the worst in the federal government.

There is also the case of the illegally-RIFed employees of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting (OCB) who were fired in 2009 for, as many believe, speaking honestly to the GAO and the OIG. In 2011, Arbitrator Suzanne Butler found, based on the evidence, that the RIF was conducted unnecessarily and that, in fact, the management and the Agency had conducted the RIF for reasons of retaliation. Even though Arbitrator Butler ordered that the employees be rehired and that they be provided with back pay, they are still waiting in limbo, as the Agency refuses to comply with the Arbitrator's ruling.

The Agency certainly does not seem to prefer employees with the creative spirit of a Steve Jobs whom former BBG Chairman and Jobs' biographer, Walter Isaacson, described in a recent commencement speech:

"What really matters is those who are creative, those who are imaginative, those like Steve Jobs, who can think different."

So, if you think risking your life for the Agency on overseas assignments as a correspondent counts for something, if you think being honest and forthright is a quality the Agency prizes, think again. Sad to say, the Agency prefers its employees to be servile, which will suffice in protecting your job, at least for awhile. Unfortunately, thinking differently like Steve Jobs or other creative people, may trigger retaliation and put your livelihood at risk (AFGE Local 1812, undated, via Mike Cooper, GA, Aug 28, DXLD)

** U S A. 17895, Aug 22 at 1757, VOA inbooming, obviously Greenville, 94 degrees to Africa but off-the-back here, African accent wrapping up `Reporters` Roundtable``, a weekly Thursday show presumably starting at 1730. 1800 news headlines by YL with American accent but notably

all about Africa and Asia until the last semi-minute one story about NSA; 1805 into `Africa News Tonight` where I suppose there won`t be any news about USA at all. HFCC shows 17895 GB is currently 1730-1830 daily, preceded by Sri Lanka and before that Botswana at 15-16.

15720 is another GB frequency not quite as strong, 1757 in Portuguese, scheduled 17-18 daily, plus 1630-1700 on Fridays, plus another semihour via Sri Lanka until 1830 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOA Radiogram, August 24-25: more Chinese

VOA Radiogram for the weekend of 24-25 August will include another experiment with Chinese text, as well as text and images in MFSK 16, 32, and 64. More information:
voaradiogram.net/post/59137667183/voa-radiogram-24-25-august-2013-mfsk-modes-and-more
(Kim Elliott, Aug 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

<http://www.rhci-online.de/VoA_Radiogram_2013-08-24.htm>
Were there so far received reports from China?
73+55 (roger, Germany, ibid.)

15670, August 25 at 1955, beeping from the VOA Greenville Radiogram test, as every Sunday at 1930. Stayed tuned for closing voice announcement, but there wasn`t any, altho from 1957 undermodulated music mixed with the tones until cutoff at 1959:48*: to determine whether this would be harmful self-QRM? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Listening online at 1200 UT today, I heard a VOA newscast, then heard the VOA Music Mix instead of Crossroads Asia. This continued until about 1208, when Crossroads Asia began with the show open and continued as normal (as opposed to being joined in progress). Then at 1212, we suddenly heard music again, then back to Crossroads at 1213, with the introduction "as we heard earlier...". One wonders what was going on behind the scenes (Mike Cooper, GA, Aug 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1683 monitoring: confirmed on WTWW-1, 9479, Thursday August 22 starting at 2101:10; it seems the automation has shifted the time slightly later than before. Also confirmed on WWRB 5050 and webcast, UT Friday August 23 from 0329 after a few seconds` pause but no announcement by Dave.

Next: UT Saturday 0200v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB; Saturday 0630 & 1430 on Hamburger Lokalradio, 7265-CUSB ? Ivo Ivanov says this was not on the air last week, and no confirmation of Wednesday August 21

either. Saturday 1500 on WRMI 9955; UT Sunday 0401 on WTWW-1 5830. Overcomer on 9930/5085 WTWW-2 has expanded but remains intermittent, so we are not sure whether WOR could still appear at 2329v Saturday or Sunday.

WORLD OF RADIO 1683 monitoring: confirmed on time 0200 UT Saturday August 24 from Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB and webcast.

Confirmed on WRMI webcast, Saturday 1500+.
Next: UT Sunday 0401 on WTWW-1 5830. Also need to confirm whether or not still appearing at 2329v Sat or Sun on 9930; or 0000 UT Sun or Mon on 5085 as previously.

Did anyone in Europe hear Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB today Saturday, including WOR at previous times of 0630 & 1430? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, it was on air when I tuned in at about 0635 UT at fair to good strength. No transmission heard today - Sunday (Noel R. Green (NW England), dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1683 monitoring: confirmed on WTWW-1, 5830, now starting even later, at 0401:32 UT Sunday August 25, but played to completion at 0430:30. (WTWW-2, 5085, had Overcomer at 0000 UT Sunday, so presumably so did 9930 in the previous semihour; but check Sunday 2330 & UT Monday 0000 just in case.). Noel Green in England confirms that Hamburger Lokalradio was indeed on the 7265-CUSB air Saturday at 0630 with WOR.

WORLD OF RADIO 1683 monitoring: missed checking the past couple weeks the Sun 2330v airing on WTWW-2 9930, but this happened August 25: tune-in just before 2330 to find `Amateur Radio Newsline` running: that`s promising, instead of Brother Scare who has occupied most of the time on this transmitter. 2350 QSY announcement to 5085, but it does not happen. 2351 WOR 1683 starts. Aug 26 0000.4*, 9930 cuts off; retune to 5085, can`t hear it at first vs local noise level, but soon something starts. I have it audible by 0003.8 when WOR playback re-starts, so all is well. Later before 0100 I was hearing Ted Randall greeting listeners, not sure whether live or not. Sometime between then and next check around 0455, BS had resumed on 5085. Day frequency was not on before 1300, but with BS at 1344 check.

BTW, WORLD OF RADIO SCHEDULE has been updated at
http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html

And so has DX/SWL/MEDIA PROGRAMS as of Aug 26:
http://www.worldofradio.com/dxpgms.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1684 monitoring: confirmed first airing UT Thursday August 29 at 0331 on WRMI webcast, and presumably 9955. Next:
Thu 2101 on WTWW-1 9479
UT Fri 0326v on WWRB 5050
UT Sat 0200v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB
Sat 0630 & 1430 on HLR 7265-CUSB
Sat 1500 on WRMI 9955
UT Sun 0401 on WTWW-1 5830
Maybe Sat and/or Sun 2330 and/or UT Sun or Mon 0000 on 5085 WTWW-2
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5085, August 22 at 0523, WTWW-2 is on, very strong with Brother Scare, perhaps signifying that the 24-hour service has begun about when George McClintock was expecting it to; with 9930 daytimes. However that was absent the previous afternoon. Meanwhile at 0523, BS is also on 3185 WWRB and 5890 WWCR; just can`t get enough of The Last Days Prophet of God (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Brother Stair TOM via WTWW-2 on August 22 and 23
1150-2400 on 9930 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg to SoAm English
0000-0200 on 5085 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg to SoAm English
(Ivo Ivanov, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5085, assume WTWW on August 22 with music at 1113 and later with Brother Stair (1207); fair (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5085, August 23 at 0521, WTWW-2 is on with expanded Brother Scare service, as also heard 24 hours earlier, despite Ivo Ivanov`s report that on August 22 and 23, 5085 stopped at 0200, and 9930 started at 1150. Maybe it`s intermittent. Ron Howard also found 5085 on with music at 1113 August 22, and BS at 1207. I find 9930 off again at 1256 check August 23, but on with BS at next check 1307 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5085, WTWW-2 heard again August 24 at 1208 & 1233 with Brother Stair; fair (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9479, Saturday August 24, 2013 at 1305 listened briefly to passed-away Pastor Pete Peters on SFAW via WTWW-1, asserting the date is Saturday, August 24! Neat trick, but archivist must have pulled out recording from the last year when the day of month and week matched, i.e. 2002y.

[and non]. 5085, August 27 at 0055, I notice this frequency is off from WTWW-2, instead of normal start at 0000. That`s because the

transmitter has stayed on day frequency 9930! as discovered at 0104, still inbooming with Brother Scare. And on, and on, this date, still 9930 at 0207, 0522, final 0629 chex, so presumably all-night. This works OK propagationally so far, but what about collisions?

Latest FCC schedule now dated 30 July at
http://transition.fcc.gov/ib/sand/neg/hf_web/A13FCC02.TXT
shows 9930 for WTWW only at 12-24 UT, while available (but surely not all used) to ``KHBN`` Palau 24 hours.

HFCC shows no other conflicts, except one I had not noticed before: 9930 2315-2400 Sundays only, IBB Kuwait, 250 kW, 80 degrees in ``Bod``, i.e. a Tibetan dialect --- the same time WORLD OF RADIO used to be on WTWW.

If WTWW stay on 9930 instead of 5085 after 0000, that won`t be an adjacent problem for The Mighty KBC, 9925 via Germany, Sundays at 00-02, since from September it`s moving down to 7375 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New 24 hour schedule of Brother Stair in English via WTWW-2*
1300-2400 on 9930 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg to SoAm, ex 1150/1153-2400
0000-1300 on 5085 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg to SoAm, new broadcasting time from 0716 NF 9930 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg to SoAm, ex 5085 on Tue, August 27!
*including irregular airings of World of Radio Sat/Sun 2330 and/or Sun 0000 -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD) As per my log, on that date 9930 was really on air all night from 0000 past 0630+, not 5085; back to 5085 next night (gh)

** U S A. 5110v-CUSB, UT Tuesday August 27 at 0054, WBCQ is already on, sounds like the guy on the phone `Allan Weiner Worldwide` is always talking to, so presumably an unscheduled playback of AWWW, from 0000? Prior to the 0100 `Heart & Soul` show. Nothing on the Area 51 schedule now except on weekends, (and skipping H&S hour UT Sats which is not from A51 but from WBCQ itself); and nothing shown on the WBCQ 5110 web schedule either before 0100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 13570, August 22 at 1718, WINB carrier is unstable again, warbling with BFO, but also SAH and audio from something else: CRI English, northwestward from Xi`an during this hour only. Makes rumble when listening in AM mode. Maybe it`s a warmup factor; at 1808 now WINB is steady and with no CCI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Note wb`s report that WINB was 40 Hz low in frequency (gh)

** U S A. Observations in 0015 to 0130 UT Aug 22 slot. [off-frequency stations:]

9264.960, WINB S=7-8
9330.062, WBCQ S=5-6
9369.982, TOM / WWRB S=7, but hit by CW morse QRM 9367.5 kHz \\ TOM also WBCQ 7489.868 S=7-8
9954.942, WRMI very, very tiny weak signal at 0045 UT, S=3-4. I could not distinguish between male and female voice!
7520, WWCR entry missed in Aoki/Nagoya list yet, S=9+15dB in GERMANY (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7506.4, August 22 from *0101:53.5, WRNO cuts on with gospel huxter in progress. Another station which sees no need for a formal sign-on. Since I couldn`t get a carrier from Chaski 5980 in the current noise level, I decided to check when WRNO would appear, as on some nites I`ve noticed it already running a few minutes before 0100, tho I think the nominal schedule is 0100-0400 UT (only). Quite a poor signal this time, tho on occasion it is very strong; due to propagation or running low power? Meanwhile, super-signal on 7520 from WWCR with another g.h. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. I noted yesterday afternoon that WEWN Birmingham, Alabama on 15610 kHz went off the air at 1750 UT, due to weather conditions. The announcer said the equipment and transmitters could be affected, so the programming would cease. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, Aug 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WWCR-1 Russian, Arabic heard very good signal in Bulgaria: 1100-1130 on 15825 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu on Thursday, August 22 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

5935, August 26 at 0500, underneath DGS can hear a real WWCR ID in crosstalk from // 3215 transmitter, insufficiently isolated next to it (and/or the rhombix insufficiently isolated from each other). Does WWCR ever override DGS channel for legal IDs? Can`t say I have heard any, but it`s one of numerous gospel-huxter broadcasts I avoid as much as possible. DGS and consequently his heiress PMS don`t believe in local IDs, just ``University Network`` on their 24/7 output, so there are never any local IDs either for the so-called ``Caribbean Beacon``, Anguilla on 6090/11775. Like any satellite/cable TV network, legal station IDs are not needed from HQ, but as long as they are also on broadcast outlets, they need to build in ID pauses! And fire them by automation if necessary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 7225, August 27 at 0543, TWR IS, good signal elbowing aside 7230 Channel Africa, which until then was fairly readable in English. This is the quarter-hour Polish service allegedly also on 5910, but I don`t hear the IS there (unless it just ended), only a trace of something under HJDH and causing a rippling fast SAH.

My previous log of this Aug 19, pointing out that 7225 is not aimed at Poland from Austria, but further west at 300 degrees, unlike 5910 at 30 degrees also from Austria, led to a discussion by Kai Ludwig and Wolfgang B¸schel, as in DXLD 13-33:

WB: ``Glenn, this TWR Polish 300 degrees outlet is mainly meant to hundred thousands of Polish Nationals speaking people, at present living, and foreign working, studying in all EU, central / western Europe. Despite 300 degrees mainlobe, there is also a minor sidelobe signal of Moosbrunn all over Scandinavia and Eastern Europe too.``

KL: ``I strongly suspect that the azimuth for the 7225 signal is a typo and deleting the second naught will give the actual bearing. The antenna type (4/3 dipole wall) clearly indicates the big rotatable antenna, its low-band side in particular, and no hindrances seem to prevent pointing this antenna at 30 degrees, as listed for the log.-periodic in use on 5910.

It so happened that this morning the time was suitable for me to check it out: 7225 had lots of fading here, obviously being close to the MUF, but was otherwise hardly weaker than 5910 (and unsurprisingly in perfect synch with it). I think this 7225 is meant for the eastern parts of Poland, in accordance with the given target CIRAF 28. Anything else would be hunting for the niche of a niche within a niche.

I noted that these transmissions still start with the old Monte Carlo IS which hardly makes sense in any regard now. Is it is in use on any other distribution platform than shortwave at all? I don't think so.

But still a bit stronger than 5910 was at the same time 6155, with almost local-like reception. When leaving the radio on in the background only the very hard dynamic compression still made the path obvious from which ÷sterreich 1 was coming in. It also confirmed once more a previous experience that dynamic compression disfigures baroque music very quickly. But still I think I'll more often tune into 6155 as morning companion when the time fits, already out of a consideration that at least one person should listen to this alibi transmission.``

But since 7225 comes in so much better here than 5910, I strongly suspect 7225 is really aimed USward. If not, it still has a lot more gain than the LP on 5910. Both M-F with 100 kW. Why is this under USA [non] instead of AUSTRIA? AFAIK, TWR HQ is still in Cary, North Carolina, altho the only ``US`` transmitter they use is KTWR Guam (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5371.5-SSB, August 27 at 0535, one of the few discrete ``60 [sic; really 55.57] meter`` ham frequencies authorized in certain countries, ragchew about equipment, QRP rigs, etc., quick ID as KJ5JK? Or -JT? With a much weaker WA0. 0628 now it`s KB5BK? Probably same station who won`t employ fonetix, still chewing about straight keys, etc., with a stronger contact (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 529, Aug 27 at 0549 there`s a het upon 530 Cuba and 530 Vance AFB TIS, which I haven`t heard in ages. Must be 529 ``LYQ`` reactivated, as just tipped by Bruce Conti, Nashua NH log on the mwdx yg:

``529, *WQHL966 TN Morrison* - 8/25 0300 EDT [0700 UT] - Loud het against 530 R. Enciclopedia; repeating LYQ in Morse code. Listed in FCC database as an aviation radio navigation station at Roseanne Airport. New log``

I replied: ``Not new here, but haven`t heard a het of it in months, and presumed was inactive. This is run by Dave Frantz at his WWRB SWBC site (3185, 3215, 5050, 9370), and I think he only turns it on occasionally when needed as navigational backup. 73 Glenn Hauser, OK``

I hear it first on the SRF-59, just the A2 het, can`t make out any ID, but as I rotate the barefoot ultralight, the pitch of the het changes very slightly: because K530AM Vance is a bit higher in frequency than Cuba with which it normally makes a significant SAH. Then I switch to the DX-398 in LSB mode and can barely make out ``LYQ`` IDs. May soon be gone again for months. BTW, K530AM is still warning us about hurricanes hitting here.

529, August 28 at 0509 UT, no signal, no het from beacon LYQ which was active 24 hours earlier from the WWRB SW site in Morrison TN. May be off again for months. I suspect Dave Frantz chose the letters LYQ for non-ID, because in CW, each is made up of `opposite` dits and dahs, confusing to those trying to grasp the language: .-.. / -.-- / --.-
It`s customary for beacons to use made-up usually three-letter calls as their legal IDs would be quite cumbersome:
WQHL966 would be: .-- / --.- / .... / .-.. / ----. / -.... / -....
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 660, August 25 at 1158 UT, C&W music is dominating here from east/west, bet it`s KTNN. Yes, so IDed in English at 1159: ``KTNN, 660, Window Rock-Mexican Hat``. Obviously is once again failing to observe night direxional with null this way toward NYC, even tho the signal would never get that far anyway across the terminator right here in Enid. Continues to add various Navajo towns to city of license; my previous report mentioning a ``Springs`` was probably Sunrise Springs, west of Window Rock AZ, while Mexican Hat is up in

Utah near Monument Valley. I.e. a sombrero? Which means shader, a bit more descriptive than ``hat`` probably from same root as ``head`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. UNIDENTIFIED. 690, August 27 at 0555 UT, on the SRF-59, I am rotating to see what`s there along with the KGGF KS all-night open carrier. Normally it`s KTSM El Paso and XEN MÈxico DF, but looping roughly NW/SE is a promo in English for `Mother Angelica Live` on EWTN Radio! I`ll look it up in the morning; oh, oh, not a single 690 station at:
http://www.ewtn.com/radio/amfm.asp
I not only search the number, but visually inspect the entire affiliate list in case the frequency on one of them is in a non-searchable such as jpg format. Nope. Sure hope I was on the right frequency, as on the SRF-59 you tune by feel/sound and ignore the off-dial. Don`t doubt it, as was along with KGGF OC, and IBOC noise on the lo side from WLW. Besides, EWTN has no stations on 680 either (nor of course 700), so it must be something new. No EWTNs on 690 either in last year`s NRC AM Log; maybe the new one will reveal. Two suspects:

WIST New Orleans LA, which was sports, YSR, 5 kW nite direxional with CP for 108 watts non-direxional, bearing fits
KSTL St Louis, was gospel anyway, 18 watts at nite, wrong direxion.

EWTN affiliate list has WCKW 1010 as their NOLA station; KHOJ 1460, and WRYT 1080 as their STL-area stations. Don`t find a website for WIST, but its Facebook as sports talk ominously stopped July 20, 2012. However, it was still ``Sports Hangover`` when Terry Krueger logged WIST November 19, 2012.

KSTL website http://www.shine690.com/ does not provide a program schedule, but lots of promotion, nothing looking Catholic, but rather Black-orientated, altho they do have some other ``Rev. Mother``.

BTW, I thought M. Angelica had a stroke years ago, so her broadcasts are not likely to be ``live`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re my EWTN unID on 690: icurapossumhunter2 in SC, a.k.a. KJ4HYD, just posted this to the ABDX yg:

Traveler`s Guide to American Catholic Radio, 15 August 2013, from Catholic Radio Update, a 2-page pdf. It *does* list one 690 EWTN (default network u.o.s.), and there it is:

New Orleans WQNO 690 & 104.9

So EWTN website`s own info is out of date showing two other AM stations there, and confirming my suspicion based on direxion and

propagation that it was the 690 in New Orleans, which had been WIST, with Yahoo Sports Radio, as in last year`s NRC AM Log as of August.

Then checking FCC AM Query, 690 in NO is indeed now WQNO, owned by Catholic Community Radio, and calls changed from WIST on 12/19/2012. It`s now 10/5 kW with different direxionality day and night, but they have a CP for 9.1/0.016 kW, which hardly seems an improvement; also a slight change of coordinates along exactly the same longitude but 9 seconds further south in latitude, essentially on the same property (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Some quick replies:

WQNO 690 is going non directional; dropping 3 out of their 4 towers. I think their array was damaged by Katrina back when they were a talk station (Paul B Walker, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And the 5 kW night power would explain why they were totally dominating Birmingham at night (with MontrÈal nulled) when I was in Iowa City back on August 13-14. According to radio-locator.com, WQNO, ex-WIST, ex-WTIX, should be throwing practically all of its night signal out into the Gulf. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WGN RADIO TO RETURN TO ITS ROOTS IN STATION SHAKEUP
August 20, 2013 | By Robert Channick | Tribune reporter
http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2013-08-20/business/chi-wgn-shakeup-20130820_1_kevin-metheny-wgn-radio-judy-markey

When veteran Chicago radio executive Jimmy de Castro took the helm of WGN-AM 720 in June, there was much speculation that the former architect of WLUP-FM might be getting his rowdy radio band back together.

Two of his former charges ó Jonathon Brandmeier and Garry Meier ó were already in place, and images of an aging rock army of "Loop" listeners in black T-shirts storming Tribune Tower seemed a plausible fantasy for reviving the fortunes of the once-mighty WGN.

It turns out, de Castro's vision is a lot more Wally Phillips than Disco Demolition.

Paying tribute to a legacy station whose lineup was purged several years ago in a largely unsuccessful bid to reinvent itself, WGN is returning to its own radio roots.

The venerable station plans to roll out a new but familiar lineup beginning Sept. 3, bringing back WGN alumni that include Steve Cochran and Kathy & Judy.

Morning man Brandmeier, who joined WGN two years ago, is being shifted to a new virtual FM station ó wgnfm.com ó while the station' s owner, Tribune Co., looks to buy an FM frequency in the next year, according to de Castro, president and general manager of WGN Radio.

"We' re doing a lot of innovative stuff, but we're also honoring the tradition and expectations of WGN," de Castro said.

On a dry erase board in his seventh-floor office, de Castro has been sketching out the future of WGN for several months. While the new AM lineup is not set, morning drive will go to Cochran, a former afternoon drive host at WGN who was cut loose during a 2010 shake-up by short-lived program director Kevin Metheny.

Cochran, 52, whose contract with low-rated WIND-AM expired in June, has been working on a freelance fill-in basis during the interim at WGN. He is not under contract yet with his new full-time employer.

"We' re working off a handshake," Cochran said. "I' m completely comfortable with that. We'll get something done."

Longtime Chicago radio and TV veteran Bob Sirott announced Monday he is leaving WFLD-Ch. 32 to host a weekday radio show on WGN with his wife, Marianne Murciano. The most likely time slot is noon to 3 p.m., de Castro said.

Former Loop personality Garry Meier will remain in afternoon drive from 3 to 7 p.m., but he will be partnered with a co-host, de Castro said.

Overnight man Bill Leff will likely take the reins from 9 a.m. to noon, also paired with a co-host.

Kathy O'Malley and Judy Markey, the popular "Girlfriends&q uot; midday duo ousted after 20 years in 2009, are also coming back to host a weekly Saturday show from 10 a.m. to noon.

Metheny came to WGN under Randy Michaels, a former radio executive who rose to become CEO of Tribune Co. after the media company fell into bankruptcy in December 2008. With Metheny hire Mike McConnell recently ousted from his slot and banished to a stand-alone digital stream on WGN-2, the returns of Cochran and Kathy & Judy seem to further repudiate the changes in programming direction that occurred during Michaels' tenure. Michaels was forced to resign in October 2010.

"It' s definitely a retreat to higher ground," said Michael Harrison, publisher of Talkers magazine, a radio trade publication. "They`re going back to what they now know were more successful days, prior to

the changes that began under Randy Michaels."

Harrison said Michaels and Metheny undervalued the heritage of WGN and the bond the station shared with its listeners.

"One of the most important things that a radio station has is a heritage that makes you larger than the sum of your parts," he said.

Never one to mince words, Cochran said his former bosses were "disrespectful" to the core WGN audience, driving away listeners. His aim is to get them back in the fold, along with a new audience for the station.

"The previous administration just blew off this core audience," Cochran said. "The core audience had an expectation of what WGN was, and that went away. So for those people, it's great."

De Castro, 60, who ran the seminal WLUP-FM and its roster of larger-than-life personalities during its heyday in the 1980s, rode a wave of industry consolidation during a 25-year radio management career until he led the largest chain in the nation.

He began his new role June 3, reporting to Larry Wert, his former WLUP protege, who became Tribune Co.'s head of local broadcasting in February. Chicago-based Tribune Co. owns eight daily newspapers, including the Chicago Tribune and Los Angeles Times, dozens of television stations, WGN America and its legacy radio station, which has been on the air since the 1920s.

WGN recently has endured its share of challenges amid personnel changes and revenue declines, culminating in the departure of longtime general manager Tom Langmyer in October. The station ranks fifth in the most recent Arbitron ratings for Chicago with a 4.6 share, and it took a big hit in revenue last year, dropping by more than $5 million, to $30.2 million, according to BIA/Kelsey.

(via Kevin Redding, Aug 22, ABDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

What about Milt Rosenberg & Extension 720??? No mention of him above (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

** U S A. 770, August 27 at 0557 UT, ``770 KKOB`` ID, promo Mark Levin show [far right wacko]; is clear and dominant E/W signal vs rock music N/S, probably XE if not Metroplex. Usual quandary about whether this is bleed from the main 50 kW KKOB transmitter in Albuquerque`s North Valley which is supposed to protect WABC, maybe out of whack, but not strong enough to be on day pattern; or the co-channel nite-only 230-watt non-direxional fill-in relay in Santa Fe (Glenn Hauser, OK, SRF-

59, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1020, Monday Aug 26 at 0544 UT, `Overnight America` going to a commercial break, no doubt KDKA Pittsburgh, best with open carrier from nearly-local KOKP Perry OK nulled, otherwise making SAH of about 215/minute = 3.58 Hz. KDKA schedule confirms ONA is M-F 1-5 am ET: http://cbspittsburgh.files.wordpress.com/2010/10/kdka-radio-program-schedule.pdf

So combined with the New York Radio VOLMET mention, we are fairly sure Pittsburgh still exists. Website also claims KDKA ``reaches 38 states at night`` --- OK, let`s try to figure out which 12 it doesn`t ``reach``? AK, HI, WA, OR, CA, NV, AZ, UT, ID, MT, WY, CO, NM? Oops, that`s 13 so have to remove one, CO? What about FL at the other extremity? There are low-powered nite operations allowed on 1020 in (south) FL, NE, MN and OK among the states otherwise ``reached``. I guess the little MN outlet doesn`t prevent KDKA from leaping into ND (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Format changes:
1060, KDYL S. Salt Lake City, UT new: ìChinese International Radioî
1060, KDYL S. Salt Lake City, UT old slogan: ìReal Oldies 1060 KDYLî
1060, KDYL S. Salt Lake City, UT was Oldies, now Ethnic
(BROADCASTING INFORMATION by Robert J. Wien (KG6RJW/3) - IRCA DX Monitor August 24 via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD) You mean China Radio International, new relay, fulltime? If it`s all in English, is it still ``ethnic``? (gh WORLD OF RADIO 1684)

** U S A. Re WBT 1110 all-IBOC test, 13-33: Has anybody listened to the audio clip of the test? The WBT signal goes to digital near the end of the clip, starting with the CBS top-of-hour "bong" and into the newscast. Yes, the sudden drop to near-zero noise is impressive; but the actual SOUND quality is gawd-awful, like an especially bad webstream. Sure, it's got more "high end" than the analog signal -- but it's gargly, hashy, artifact-ridden, and nearly unlistenable. The analog, while bandwidth-limited, is MUCH more pleasant to listen to! "FM-quality" my foot (and various other extremities)! (Randy Stewart, Arts Producer, KSMU, 901 S. National, Springfield MO 65897, IRCA via DXLD)

Randy, That's what I thought, too. Swishy, very artificial-sounding. You know what I do with a web stream that sounds like that? I ignore it and go somewhere else. And if that's what IBOC-only AM sounds like, that's exactly what I'd do. Although I've heard very few, so far I haven't heard, live or recorded, any AM IBOC that's pleasing to my ears. I don't like the audio artifacts. I like hearing more high frequencies, but if they come with artifacts, I'd rather not have the highs ñ (Rick Lewis, ibid.)

The descriptions I read [above] of AM IBOC describe exactly how WBZ IBOC sounds to me: horrible. AM radio sounded great years ago before the current NRSC audio mask was implemented (Bob Young, Millbury, MA, KB1OKL, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. 1190, KPHN, MO, Kansas City ñ Went silent 7/31 pending sale by R. Disney (AM Switch, NRC DX News Aug 19 via DXLD)

** U S A. TIS Changes Kick In Sept. 18
http://www.radioworld.com/article/tis-changes-kick-in-sept-/220919
(via Dennis Gibson, Aug 21, ABDX via DXLD)

``The commission nixed the idea of routinely retransmitting entire NOAA Weather Radio Alerts,``

Well, then. I guess our local "Emergency Management Radio Station" will have to cease and desist transmitting, except when there is actually some issue of concern to travelers instead of filling their otherwise dead air with rebroadcasting the local NOAA weather radio station. At least they have quit with the broadcasting of job opportunities in the county government and tips on how to avoid the flu, etc. (Mike Westfall, NM, ibid.)

Interesting, the local TIS in Irvine CA on 1640 has two transmitters and announces both call letters during their identification. They simulcast already.

The TIS in Ojai CA on 1610 sent me a QSL and it says they are 25 watts. I believe it because I hear them often but don't hear others that are closer.

The only other TIS stations normally heard here are 1620 San Juan Capistrano run by CALTRANS, 550 in the Port of Long Beach and 1690 Cal State Long Beach. The last two heard only in late the mornings during low noise (Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, ibid.)

We had one for the City of Palm Coast, FL on 1610 AM that seemed to do a fair job getting out for a TIS. Programming; essentially PSAs for the various city departments (Water Dept., Recreation Dept., and so on) with the intent of breaking in with significant emergency messages. In 2004 there were a series of four hurricanes that blew through and no local broadcast stations for the city to inform citizens of critical emergency information. It was tough to get stations in adjoining markets to pass information; many of the signals were tough for residents to hear. So the City built the 1610 Municipal TIS. Since then, we built News-Talk WNZF in 2008 from a CP, and from that built several other stations in our group. Now Palm Coast and Flagler County has a dependable source of emergency information. Our

first WNZF broadcast was in response to Tropical Storm Fay, which settled on top of our area for over 24 hours (Ron Gitschier, Palm Coast, FL, Aug 21, ibid.)

** U S A. 1640, Test: MA, Taunton ñ Test transmitter (WV1XBF) authorized for three months with D1 1000 to test whether the former WPEP-1570 site can be adapted for the use of WVBF-1530 (AM Switch, NRC DX News Aug 19 via WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DXLD)

** U S A. Glenn, I tried to hear your Enid station on 1640, but, WTNI [Biloxi MS] is back, pretty strong until the skip fades out. For that matter, it may have been back for a while; I don't bother with the MW band much these days. Thought it might be interesting to hear their AG format (Tim Hendel, Huntsville AL, Aug 28, WORLD OF RADIO 1684, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. ñPIRATES: 1710, W807, Chicago - 0436 8/17 - Heard a string of Elvis Presley songs, fading in and out taking turns with the Hudson County, NJ. TIS station. Some talk heard between songs with distinct voice matching the W807 announcer as heard before. Also mixing with Radio Celestial at times. (TROMP-MI)

1710.02, Radio Celestial, Bronx NY - 0800 8/17 - Strong as ever during overnight recordings despite the recent FCC bust announcement. English language Christian music. Over/under the Hudson County TIS station (Tim Tromp, Muskegon MI, Mare Tipsheet August 23 via DXLD)

** U S A. DEMOCRACY MAY PROVE THE DOOM OF WBAI
By BEN SISARIO The New York Times August 20, 2013
http://www.nytimes.com/2013/08/21/business/media/democracy-may-prove-the-doom-of-wbai.html?pagewanted=print

WBAI likes to call itself "radio for the 99 percent." But most of the time the station -- a listener-supported and proudly scrappy mainstay of the left since 1960 -- is lucky to be heard by 0.1 percent of the New York radio audience.

That disparity, and the teetering finances of the station and its owner, the nonprofit Pacifica Foundation, became apparent on a Friday afternoon this month with a tearful on-air announcement by Summer Reese, Pacifica's interim executive director, that the station was laying off 19 of its 29 employees just to cover basic expenses like the rent for its transmitter atop the Empire State Building.

"Most of your familiar hosts," she told listeners, "will not even have the opportunity to really say goodbye to you."

The layoffs, which included the entire news department, have put a

spotlight on a station that has played a major role in American public broadcasting. WBAI, at 99.5 FM, was one of the leaders of the free-form radio movement in the 1960s, with early appearances by Bob Dylan and the on-air premiere of Arlo Guthrie's song "Alice's Restaurant." In the 1970s the station became a free-speech martyr when the Supreme Court upheld a Federal Communications Commission indecency citation for running George Carlin's seven "filthy words."

But huge debt and a dwindling membership have left both WBAI and Pacifica starved for cash. The station, one of five owned by the foundation, has operated in the red each year since 2004, accumulating more than $3 million in net losses, according to Pacifica financial statements. In addition to WBAI, Pacifica has stations in Los Angeles, Washington, Houston and Berkeley, Calif., and feeds content to more than 150 affiliates.

Among Pacifica's debts are more than $2 million in broadcast fees owed to Amy Goodman's "Democracy Now!," the network's most popular show. To cover Pacifica's operating costs, the network has drained most of its accounts, hobbling the organization and raising the doomsday scenario in which it would have to sell WBAI's broadcast license.

Founded in 1946 by conscientious objectors from World War II, Pacifica was the first radio network to eschew commercial sponsorships and maintain itself through listener donations. But critics have long said that its top-heavy governance, with large local boards and frequent, expensive elections, have put the organization in a constant state of gridlock, and that unless Pacifica reforms it will simply govern itself to death.

"This is what the board does," Ms. Reese said in an interview: "It fiddles while Rome burns."

Those same problems were on display at a public WBAI board meeting last week in an arts space in Lower Manhattan. Despite the layoffs just days before, the first 25 minutes were devoted to a procedural debate about the night's agenda, with frequent mentions of Robert's Rules of Order. Occasional shouts of "fascist!" and "go back to the N.S.A.!" rang out from listeners in attendance.

Berthold Reimers, WBAI's general manager, reported that the station had $23,000 on hand and was scouring Craigslist and other sites to furnish new, cheaper studios in Brooklyn. An Ikea chair was bought for $40, he said. "That's the cheapest we could possibly get."

Former WBAI staff members complain that constant management turnover as the board instituted one "coup" after another made their jobs nearly impossible.

"For the last 10 years working at WBAI has been a nightmare," said JosÈ Santiago, the news director for two decades. "I compare it to the nation facing Democrats and Republicans in Washington. Their priority is to stay in power and bash each other in the head, and nothing ever gets done."

The station has just 14,000 members, who last year contributed $2.5 million, according to a preliminary financial statement from Pacifica.

"Pacifica has fallen below the level of sustainability in the size of its audience," said John Dinges, a professor at the Columbia Journalism School and a former managing editor at NPR News.

"Democracy Now!" is Pacifica's largest single creditor. Ms. Reese said that Ms. Goodman had been unwilling to restructure the debt, but Ms. Goodman, speaking last week after raising money on the air for two Pacifica stations, said she wanted to negotiate. "We are committed to the future of Pacifica," she said.

To reform WBAI and Pacifica, Ms. Reese said she wanted to tame the finances, improve programming and rewrite the bylaws "from scratch." The layoffs will save WBAI $900,000 a year, she said, but Pacifica is still strained. Board elections are held in two out of every three years, and last year the cycle cost $231,000. Pacifica still has $100,000 in legal bills, many from suits originating in the elections.

The financial situation raises the specter of selling WBAI's broadcast license, its greatest asset. George R. Reed, a broker for television and radio stations, said that based on its reach, WBAI's signal is worth about $45 million. But given the New York market, the price could easily be higher. Last year, for example, CBS paid $75 million for the 101.9 FM frequency.

Ms. Reese said she believed that Pacifica can turn itself around.

"This is not an irretrievable situation," she said. "It's a very politicized organization, and that sometimes interferes with making intelligent decisions. But by taking a look at programming, we can improve listener hours and our financial situation."

Changing WBAI's programming risks alienating the station's core audience. Ms. Reese and the interim program director, Andrew Phillips, want more general-interest programming in the key "drive-time" hours of the morning and late afternoon. This strategy has been conventional wisdom in radio for decades, but not at WBAI, whose morning lineup includes shows like "First Voices Indigenous Radio."

At the board meeting, Mr. Phillips told those in attendance that morning shows would no longer be directed "to the niche," but that they would attract a wider audience that would help sustain the station. That proposition has terrified many of the station's devotees.

Beverly Abisogun, 73, reflected the anger of many in attendance when she responded, saying, "We are not a niche; we are it."

This article has been revised to reflect the following correction:

Correction: August 20, 2013 --- An earlier version of this article incorrectly referred to Amy Goodman as a creditor of Pacifica with "Democracy Now." The money is owed to the program, of which she is host and executive producer (via Mike COoper, DXLD)

** U S A. WRNN new line-up --- For the record: New York's WRNN DTV RF Channel 48 has adjusted their line-up.
48.01, WRNN
48.02, WRNN (formerly Al Jazeera English)
48.03, Arirang Korean [South, presumably]
48.04, France 24 English
48.05, NHK World English
(Karl Zuk, N2KZ, FN31eh, Aug 23, amfmtvdx at qth.net via DXLD)

** UZBEKISTAN. 12160, August 27 at 1328, heavy flutter, very poor signal in S Asian song, announcement, continuing past 1330. Aoki shows it`s TWR ``India`` via Tashkent, on Tuesdays going from Dogri to Hindi. BTW, this service lasts until 1615 weekdays, 1545 weekends in various languages, thus colliding with WWCR after 1500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also INDIA [non]

** VATICAN [and non]. 7250, Aug 23 at 0513 I hear a weak signal in English, but it cuts off at 0514:10* as I am attempting to // it to 11625, where English is supposed to be (via Madagascar instead of SMG this semihour only, per Aoki), but inaudible there. VR is messing around again with the 7250 transmitter which is not scheduled to start until 0530 for the Latin/multilingual mass. Recheck at 0528, it`s still off, then pops on with piano music, 0529 bells. 72 hours earlier I caught 7250 on early at 0520 in Albanian instead of English instead of nothing.

7250, August 27 at 0527, presumed Albanian from VR, transmitter on the air early again, promoting this tongue from MW-only status on 1260; 0528 song, 0529 bells; poor signal.

5980, then found VR here too at 0530 ending bells and into ``Laudetur Iesus Christus``, mass show introduced in German, Spanish, French,

Polish(?), 0531 into Latin. Better signal than 7250, but // 9645 is best despite het on hi side from R. Bandeirantes, Brasil.

At times 5980 also has CCI from WWCR mixing product, extremely strong 5890 leaping over 5935 another 45 kHz higher, and making a SAH of 3 or 4 Hz.

HFCC shows 5980 VR at 0530-0615, 100 kW, 330 degrees from SMG in Lat for the entire A-13 season, but I have not been hearing it all summer until now; was it really off, or is the sun just starting to rise late enough? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, I have received an e-mail from Sergio Salvatori, Vatican Radio Frequency Management, concerning the Fall/Winter Vatican Radio Spanish programming to LatAm: ``As for the next season, no change is planned in our schedule to North, South and Central America; we will keep on using 7305 kHz at 0200-0245 and 1130-1200 UT from Greenville``. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, Aug 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN. 17530, August 27 at 1340 the SSOB is VOA Somali, and almost the OSOB with a trace of 17580 Cuba, and nothing tooday from the often well-heard CRI East Turkistan trio 17560, 17640, 17650. Makes for less religion, anyway from SMG site, altho violating Separation of Church and State to do so (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. 21295-USB, Aug 22 at 1257, YW5X calling CQDX and mostly working K-stations at 5&9, quick contest-like contacts. Barely audible here. Call seems familiar but I do not find a log of it before. QRZ.com reveals:

YW5X, DX ExpediciÛn Isla la Orchila
IOTA (SA 054) ARLHS (VEN 049) WLOTA (3044)
Grupo DX Caracas (20 to 26 August 2013)
Venezuela

La Orchila is about halfway between Bonaire and Nueva Esparta. Virtually the OSOB, and little but Rwanda on 21 MHz broadcast (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. Festival Dia de Barquisimeto 2013 (Diploma)

La AsociaciÛn de Radioaficionados de Venezuela Seccional ìGeneral Juan Jacinto Laraî , celebrar· el dÌa de Barquisimeto, con un festival o certificaciÛn para todo aquel radioaficionado, radioescucha o diexista que contacte a la estaciÛn control que estar· en el aire con la informaciÛn que sigue:

DÌa de transmisiÛn: 14/09/2013
Hora: 04:00pm local, 2030 UT, 1 hora de emisiÛn
Frecuencia: 7140 kHz, Banda: 40 Metros

El certificado o diploma a otorgar ser· digital en formato .JPG

Se otorgar· el certificado o diploma digital al radioaficionado que contacte a la estaciÛn control para el dÌa y hora indicada, tambiÈn deber· enviar un correo electrÛnico, con su nombre completo e indicativo a la siguiente direcciÛn: diadelara@gmail.com

Se otorgar· el certificado o diploma digital al radioescucha o diexista que contacte a la estaciÛn control enviando un informe de recepciÛn al correo electrÛnico: diadelara@gmail.com

Saludos (Williams LÛpez, Apartado Postal: 763, Barquisimeto, Estado Lara, Venezuela, YY-3-WRL, Aug 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not likely audible at that early hour in North America (gh, DXLD)

** VIETNAM. 9820: I do NOT exclude, that Vietnam jamms foreign programs like Voice of Beibu Bay Radio from China in Vietnamese language, seemingly by scratching noise 8 kHz wide at 1230 UT Aug 28? (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 29 via DXLD)

9840-, August 25 at 1236 YL starting news in English at odd time after some other feature, strange accent typical of VOV, good signal but fluttery; and // weaker 12020-, ending news at 1240 with Voice of Vietnam ID. Both slightly but today not too far on the lo sides (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. Summer A-13 SW schedule for Voice of Vietnam:
0000-0058 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Vietnamese

0100-0128 on 12005 WOF 250 kW / 282 deg to NoAm English

0130-0228 on 12005 WOF 250 kW / 282 deg to NoAm Vietnamese

0230-0258 on 12005 WOF 250 kW / 282 deg to NoAm English

0300-0328 on 6175 HRI 250 kW / 173 deg to CeAm Spanish

0330-0358 on 6175 HRI 250 kW / 173 deg to CeAm English

0400-0428 on 6175 HRI 250 kW / 173 deg to CeAm Spanish

0430-0528 on 6175 HRI 100 kW / 315 deg to NWAm Vietnamese

1000-1028 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English
1000-1028 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English

1030-1058 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Khmer
1030-1058 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian
1030-1058 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1100-1128 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1100-1128 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs English
1100-1128 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese
1100-1128 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1100-1128 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese

1130-1158 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Russian
1130-1158 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Thai
1130-1158 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs English
1130-1158 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Russian
1130-1158 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs English

1200-1228 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1200-1228 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs French
1200-1228 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese
1200-1228 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1200-1228 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese

1230-1258 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Russian
1230-1258 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Khmer
1230-1258 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English
1230-1258 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Russian
1230-1258 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English

1300-1328 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1300-1328 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs French
1300-1328 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian
1300-1328 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
1300-1328 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1330-1428 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Lao

1330-1358 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs English
1330-1358 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs English

1400-1428 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese
1400-1428 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese

1430-1458 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Thai
1430-1458 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1430-1458 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1500-1528 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs English
1500-1528 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English
1500-1528 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English

1500-1558 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Vietnamese
1500-1558 on 9550 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to NoAf Vietnamese

1530-1558 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Thai

1600-1628 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to N/ME English
1600-1628 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu English
1600-1628 on 9550 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to NoAf English
1600-1628 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English

1630-1658 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to N/ME French
1630-1658 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu Russian
1630-1658 on 9550 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to NoAf French
1630-1658 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Russian

1700-1728 on 9625 MOS 100 kW / 300 deg to WeEu English

1700-1758 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu Vietnamese
1700-1758 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Vietnamese

1730-1828 on 9625 MOS 100 kW / 300 deg to WeEu Vietnamese

1800-1828 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu German
1800-1828 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu German

1830-1858 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu French
1830-1858 on 9625 MOS 100 kW / 300 deg to WeEu French
1830-1858 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu French

1900-1928 on 9890 WOF 250 kW / 075 deg to EaEu Russian

1900-1928 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu English
1900-1928 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English

1930-1958 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu French
1930-1958 on 9430 WOF 250 kW / 182 deg to WeEu German
1930-1958 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu French

2000-2028 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to EaEu Russian
2000-2028 on 9430 WOF 250 kW / 182 deg to WeEu German
2000-2028 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu Russian

2030-2058 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to N/ME English
2030-2058 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English
2030-2058 on 9550 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to NoAf English
2030-2058 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English

2100-2128 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to N/ME French
2100-2128 on 7280 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu French
2100-2128 on 9550 SON 100 kW / 290 deg to NoAf French
2100-2128 on 9730 SON 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEu French
2030-2128 on 11840 WOF 250 kW / 114 deg to SEEu Vietnamese

2200-2228 on 7220 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese
2200-2228 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Thai
2200-2228 on 12000 SON 100 kW / 027 deg to FERu Chinese

2200-2228 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese
2200-2228 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Japanese

2230-2258 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Khmer
2230-2258 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Chinese
2230-2258 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 057 deg to EaAs Chinese

2300-2328 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian
2300-2328 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian

2300-2358 on 7285 MET 050 kW / 216 deg to SEAs Lao

2330-2358 on 9840 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English
2330-2358 on 12020 SON 100 kW / 177 deg to SEAs English
73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA, 6015, Zanzibar BC, Dole, 0256, Aug 17, female speaker in rapid Swahili, music clips, some English words, Afropop, six long tones for time signal and female speaker with îZBC Radioî, 45444 (Graham Bell, Simonís Town, South Africa, DSWCI DX Window August 21 via DXLD)

11735, Zanzibar BC, Dole, 1730-1830, Aug 16, program in a local language with music, 1800 drums, ID, English news (obviously not read live, because they had to start the news recording twice), 1809 changing back to local language (news) program; PERSEUS SDR says signalstrength was S9+15 dB, so it was very strong here in Germany. No interferences against the English news since powerhouse signal on 11740 signed off shortly before 1800, 44433 (Harald Kuhl, Gˆttingen, Germany, DXplorer via DSWCI DX Window August 21 via DXLD)

11735, ZBC, 1726, fluttery but strong with nice hi life, Swahili comments. 24/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4995.6, Someone here at 1350 with conversation between a man and a woman; low audio but at times, sounded Chinese. Not two-way traffic, as is sometimes heard, but a legit sounding broadcast. Who? Much weaker than the Chinese regionals. Have heard this in the past but it seems very sporadic. 23/8 (David Sharp, Bourke NSW, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi David, On August 23, Sudipta Ghose (India) informed me he was hearing AIR Kurseong on 4995, with nothing heard on usual 4895. Looks like a transmitter frequency entering error? I checked August 24 on 4995, but did not hear them. Unable to confirm their return to normal 4895 (Ron Howard, San Francisco, ibid.)

Hi Ron, Thanks for the tip. Thought it was Chinese but copy was difficult. Will check further (David, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6925-AM, August 24 at 0537, very poor pirate signal with music, too deep in the noise level, but with BFO on at 0540, his VFO swishes away, and I soon find a new signal on 6940 sounding the same. Situation somewhat clarified by logs on hfunderground.com from BOR --- would that be the op of Blue Ocean Radio?

``Eccentric Shortwave 6925u 0535Z August 24, 2013: Came up on top of RTN playing Doc Watson tunes. RTN since moved to 6940. No ID as of 0550Z. About S1 to S2 on the west coast.`` RTN = Radio True North (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6933 LSB, 0059 8/17 - Relay of a UNID Brazilian AM broadcaster. ID heard in broken English sounded like R·dio Difusora with an announced frequency "One thousand (something) kilo-hertz" then mention of Brazil. Show consisted of music, talk, call-in, etc. Maybe a pescadore relaying an AM station from Brazil? Recorded ID here: http://amdxer.com/download/DX_Audio_Clips_Other/6933%20Khz%20LSB%20UNID%20Brazilian%20Relay%2017AU13%200059%20UTC.mp3 (Tim Tromp, Muskegon MI, Mare Tipsheet August 23 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9359.5-SSB, August 28 at 1248-1254, 2-way in colloquial Spanish, one quite stronger than the other (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11900.5-SSB, August 28 at 0057, 2-way intruder in colloquial Spanish; weak but certainly stands out within the AM (and unfortunately DRM) 25m broadcast band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 24 Aug: 17505 Kuwait? 1507 in Filipino, 31 db (Zacharias

Liangas, Litohoron, Greece, PL380 near the window,
http://zliangaslogs.blogspot.gr/2013/08/logs-in-litohoron-on-2425_26.html
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HFCC: nothing on 17505 after 1500. Aoki and HFCC do however have VOA Bod/Tibetan via Lampertheim until 1500 on Mondays only but this was Saturday; or is this by any chance in local time of UT+3? If definitely in Tagalog, CRI is scheduled at 1200-1230 UT daily in Filipino via Xi`an. All reporters should do their own research like this at least on the Big 3 schedule references. So why do you suppose it was Kuwait? Do you mean IBB relay or R. Kuwait itself? Its Tagalog is now scheduled 10-12 on 21580, and IBB does not bother with Tagalog to a non-hostile country (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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DX RE MIX NEWS

Dear Colleagues, From Saturday, August 24 my shortwave observations no longer published at SWLDXBulgaria blog.

DX RE MIX NEWS newsletter also will no longer publish.
The next edition # 796 will be on Tuesday, August 27.
The last edition # 800 will be on Tuesday, September 24.
These are my decisions -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, New email: ivo.observer@gmail.com August 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ivo`s excellent Observations will be missed. Apparently there was a falling-out with Georgi Bancov, but we hope Ivo will reconsider (gh, DXLD)

DX RE MIX NEWS

Dear Colleagues, From Saturday, August 24th my shortwave observations no longer published at SWLDXBulgaria blog. DX REMIX NEWS bulletin also will no longer be published there. This blog is owned by another person. I do not remember his name and he - my name. All it ends very sad, after all, we did together. The very last edition of DX RE MIX NEWS # 800 will be on September 24th, it's my decision. 73! (Ivo Ivanov, DX RE MIX NEWS #796 August 27, 2013, via DXLD)
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FACEBOOK PAGE FOR DX'ERS

FYI - I've set up a new group on Facebook: "DX'ing - sponsored by the National Radio Club"
https://www.facebook.com/groups/509246815818550/
It's open to anyone, whether a DX'er or not. Come join us! (Paul Swearingen, Topeka, IRCA via DXLD) Must log-in; says who? (gh, DXLD)

MUSEA
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CONOCIENDO EL MUSEO HIST”RICO DE RADIO VATICANA

Pocos conocen el Museo HistÛrico de la Radio que acoge en sus instalaciones la Radio Vaticana. Es una gran colecciÛn de aparatos radiofÛnicos usados desde 1931 hasta llegar a nuestros dÌas.Mas info en http://gruporadioescuchaargentino.wordpress.com/
http://gruporadioescuchaargentino.wordpress.com/2013/08/29/conociendo-el-museo-historico-de-radio-vaticana/
(Arnaldo Slaen, GRA, Aug 29, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB
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DAB+ === NEW FRONTIER FOR RADIO LISTENING OR WHAT ELSE

Just four months ago I bought a dab+ receiver although in Malta is quite new for the market. The radio stations around Malta joined to this new type of broadcast and when I saw a right model and most of all affordable I bought it. It s quite a good model made in Britain and very easy to use but after some time I found out that there are some differences between analogic and dab+.

First dab + is more clear than analogic reception and there are stations that you can`t hear with let`s say a normal device. That`s one of the reasons why I bought it, secondly because I was curious about this type of broadcast.

Then there are some things that analogic radio beats dab+. First analogic beats dab+ by nine seconds, that is when you are hearing a broadcast the same time at the same frequency on dab+ there is a delay of nine seconds in correspondence of the analogic broadcast. Secondly if there is low reception in analogic you can still hear the station; as for dab+ the signal is lost and there is no sound.

And to date most of Malta is not all covered by dab+ signal. There is more to be improved and more things to be done for e.g. devices that when connected to analogic receivers can receive dab+.

The other important thing is that technology must be affordable to everyone. Drm known in Malta and even dab+ is still not known by most of the people. Mostly I think analogic must be preserved and not be abounded in respect of the dab+. Most people still rely on analogic reception.

Adrian micallef
Adrian Milan f.b.
Malta. (source? via Dario Monferini, 27 Aug playdx yg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See USA: 1110 WBT
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also AFGHANISTAN; ARGENTINA; GERMANY;
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ NIGERIA; SPAIN; UKRAINE; UNID 11900; DAB+

REVIVAL OF SHORTWAVE ? / OVERVIEW ON RECENT AMPEGON PROJECTS

ï 3 x 250 kW SW near Abuja, Nigeria, including one rotatable antenna 4/4/1.0, commissioned 2012
ï One 100 kW SW Tx near Tashkent, Uzbekistan, commissioned 2012.
ï One 250 kW SW near Dhaka, Bangladesh, including one rotatable antenna 2/2/0.5, commissioned 2012
ï 4 x 250 kW SW Tx for Hike / KDDI Japan, the first one commissioned mid 2013.
ï 10 x 300 kW SW Tx and 12 rigid dipole Antennas are in production for Taiwan, two units commissioned in May 2013.
ï 2 x 100 kW SW Tx are contracted for AIR in India, production started
ï Large tender requests ongoing: AIR India, Saudi Arabia (Ryiadh), TDA Algeria (from: Josef Troxler, CEO, Ampegon, Turgi, Switzerland, HFCC Bratislava, Aug. 2013, Ampegon, Company Overview, via Drita «iÁo, DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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DX DISTANCE PROGRAM

Is there a program that can tell you approximate distances between point A and point B using mouse clicks? How do you measure distances for DX log purposes? Thanks, (Karl Zuk N2KZ, WTFDA via DXLD)

Here's what I use:
http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/distance-and-azimuths-between-two-sets-coordinates
(John Callarman, KA9SPA, Family Genealogist, Retired Newspaper Editor, DX-oyente, Krum TX (AKA Qal R. Mann, Krumudgeon), ibid.)

ANY AM STEREO BROADCASTING LEFT? WHAT ARE SOME GOOD HD RADIO/TUNERS

I Googled AM stereo stations in USA and got a list from 2008. Is there an updated list?

I have a Radio Shack AM stereo tuner. Not sure if there is any AM stereo station I might hear in Southern New England. If I knew what freq to try for I could use a tuned loop or the CCrane twin coil ferrite. Without a directional antenna, I have not had the stereo indicator light on the RS tuner.

I know HD radio is annoying to most radio enthusiasts, I just wondered if anyone here could recommend a HD radio or tuner well under $200 which works?

I also found a circuit board you can buy to covert your radio to AM stereo which is not expensive, but I'd have to find someone to do that for me. The name is Meduci. Anyone here have one of those?

AM stero was more common in Canada, and at night I can tune plenty of stations from there. Is it still being used in CA? (-FARMERIK, Aug 22, ABDX via DXLD)

The last time I saw one that was newer it was on Meduci.com and when I tried it, the site was down. I can tell you KEVA in Wyoming has AM $.

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I have a Sangean HDR-1 and it does AM Stereo and HD both. Its not sold any longer but the price was $250. Lots of radios came out for HD and are gone now like the Radiosophy.

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Best one to contact is Chris Cuff. I don't know his email but he is on facebook. He does a lot of that kind of stuff (Kevin Redding, Crump, TN, ibid.)

For an up-to-date AM Stereo station list try :
http://www.meduci.com/

I just brought it up so the website is working. It brings up a page titled AM Stereo Rennaissance and it has a link to a current AM Stereo Station List.

Meduci will be offering a new AM Stereo tuner soon called the MW-2 with many nice features. It will have an LED display, tune the medium wave band only from 530 to 1700 kHz, switchable wide/narrow bandwidth and a switchable AM Stereo/Forced Mono switch. I believe it has built-in 10 kHz notch filters also. The price will be $200 with free shipping and he is taking pre-orders now.

I think he will also offer it for sale on eBay. No color pictures of the tuner yet but they should have some soon. The tuner is made to work with an external antenna. The tuner does not come with its own antenna so you will need to supply your own antenna for it.

Meduci also offers a nice AM Stereo decoder board pre-assembled on a circuit board for $28 and free shipping. You will need to install the decoder board yourself in the radio of your choice, or have someone install it for you. The decoder board works from a 450 kHz IF plus a 12vdc input. I think it will work from a 455 kHz IF also but I have not tried one with a 455 kHz IF yet. I can confirm that the decoder board works very well. It does need a certain IF level from the radio or tuner to work properly so someone will need to be familiar with test equipment like an oscilloscope to be sure it is getting the proper IF level and know what they are doing inside a radio to make the proper connections. 73 (Todd WD4NGG Roberts, ibid.)

WLS is an easy catch here, but I don't know why AM Stereo would be used by talk stations, although the local WINY seems to have stereo on my car radios in the ads? My GMC is a 2004 and my wife's Impala is a 2010, so I didn't expect those factory radios to be AM stereo, but some ads do sound like stereo with one voice from one side and music or a second voice from the other? Not sure about the music being stereo, but the separation on the ads sounds complete between the right and left channels, or is it all in my head? Anyway, WLS should be a good way to see if the Radio Shack stereo AM tuner works as it should. I do have quite a few AM antennas to try.

In this thread, two sets of call letters for an Ontario station on AM 630 are listed. I don't know if there are two stations or changed call letters for the same one. Neither is in my log. Although not far away, WPRO is not easy to hear, so it should be easy to null. I just have not had time to try yet. Thanks, guys- (FARMERIK, ibid.)

> WLS still makes it into Houston, I'll have to dust off the
> TM-152 and give it a try. Of course - the music died on
> WLS decades ago. I don't know why they still bother with stereo.

Because, on a talk station, about 40% of the remaining programming is comprised of stereo material - ads, liners, sounders, you name it (and

more like 60% at drive-time). Still makes stereo very much worth it.

Why are FM talk stations stereo? I used to have fun asking stations that pulled AM stereo when switching to a talk format that also had a sister FM talk-format station why they didn't also pull the stereo on their FM talk station where there would actually be some sort of a measurable coverage difference. Never got any answer, except from one: "Very intriguing question" (Darwin Long, LA, ibid.)

Hi Darwin, Many FM talk stations switch to mono. When KIRO-FM here in Seattle switched from oldies to talk, about the first thing they did was drop stereo. Never mind that the Seattle Seahawks games could sound great in stereo; they're not even in stereo on KIRO-FM' s HD (Rick Lewis, ibid.)

Critical Hours - whatever that is?

Glenn, In your show this week you talked about a station near you apparently coming on late as a daytimer, and it has critical hours license. It is likely following its license with its start time.

Critical hours is a third operational period for AM radio stations, not many have it as an issue, but critical hours are a period of up to 2 hours AFTER sunrise and BEFORE sunset --- that a station operates in its third mode. These are listed as DA-3. Just as some are DA, DA-N or DA-2.

Most appear to be newer stations and those that upgraded facilities. You can see why this may be needed when there are times that a distant station can be heard for a period of time before sunset at your location. If you can hear something from a location then that location could be bothered from a signal from your location. Hope this helps, (Kevin O'Brien, DXLD) That was KEOR 1120; see OKLAHOMA

PROPAGATION
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SYOWA ALL-SKY CAMERA

To see aurora, when it`s dark at the Japanese station in Antarctica:
http://polaris.nipr.ac.jp/~acaurora/aurora/Syowa/
(via S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GEOMAGNETIC INDICES
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Geomagnetic Summary July 1 2013 through July 31 2013

Tabulated from email status daily (K @ 0000 UTC.)

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Wx
1	108	8	1	no storms
2	114	4	1	no storms
3	125	4	2	minor, R1
4	138	5	2	no storms
5	141	9	2	no storms
6	134	21	4	no storms
7	126	8	1	no storms
8	119	6	1	no storms
9	120	9	4	no storms
10	118	25	3	minor, G1
11	113	18	2	minor, G1
12	118	9	3	no storms
13	114	10	2	no storms
14	113	20	4	no storms
15	114	25	2	minor, G1
16	114	5	1	no storms
17	111	5	2	no storms
18	115	15	3	no storms
19	114	14	3	no storms
20	113	6	1	no storms
21	109	5	2	no storms
22	110	6	3	no storms
23	107	5	2	no storms
24	108	5	1	no storms
25	107	11	4	no storms
26	110	14	2	no storms
27	108	11	2	no storms
28	109	7	3	no storms
29	112	6	1	no storms
30	113	6	2	no storms
31	109	5	1	no storms

Sx ñ Solar Radiation Storm Level
Gx ñ Geomagnetic Storm Level
Rx ñ Radio Blackouts Level
(IRCA DX Monitor August 24 via DXLD)

Solar activity forecast for the period August 23 - 29, 2013

Activity level: mostly very low to low
X-ray background flux (1.0-8.0 A): in the range B1.5-B7.5
Radio flux (10.7 cm): a fluctuation in the range 95-135 f.u.
Events: class C (0-12/day), class M (0-4/period), class X (0/period),
proton (0/period)
Relative sunspot number (Ri): in the range 30-105

Astronomical Institute, Solar Dept., Ondrejov, Czech Republic
e-mail: sunwatch(at)asu.cas.cz (RWC Prague)

Geomagnetic activity forecast for the period Aug 23 - Sep 18, 2013

Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on August 30, September 3-5, 8 - 9, 14, 16,
mostly quiet on August 27-29, September 6-7, 15,
quiet to unsettled on August 26, September 2, 13,
quiet to active on August 25, September 10-11, 17,
active to disturbed on August 23-24, 31, September 1, 9, 12-13, 18.
Positive storm phases are expected on August 23rd and 31st.

Growing in solar wind may cause remarkable changes
in magnetosphere and ionosphere on August 23-24, 31,
September 1-2, 6, 12-14.

Remarks:
- Parenthesis means lower probability of activity enhancement.
- If during present year solar activity will not reach a similar or higher level as in November 2011, then 2012 will remain to be the maximum of 24 cycle (R = 70) - and vice versa.

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 19 - 25 August 2013

Solar activity was at very low to low levels during the period. The period began at low levels which persisted through 23 August. The majority of the C-class flare events were from Regions 1818 (S07, L=214, class/area Dhc/340 on 13 August), 1820 (S12, L=177, class/area Dai/130 on 21 August), and 1828 (N16, L=089, class/area Cao/60 on 20 August). The largest flare of the period was a C4/Sf which occurred at 22/0506 UTC from Region 1820. Moderate growth was observed in Region 1820 from 19-21 August and in Regions 1830 and 1831 on 22 and 23 August, respectively. By 25 August, the majority

of the spotted regions had either decayed to plage or rotated around the western limb. Solar activity was at very low levels on 24 and 25 August. A 51-degree filament eruption centered near S47E24 erupted between 20/0400 UTC and 20/0829 UTC. An associated coronal mass ejection (CME) with an approximate speed of 681 km/s, first seen in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery beginning at 20/0824 UTC, was observed with the majority of the ejecta off the SW limb.

A small enhancement in the greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit was observed beginning at approximately 20/2300 UTC, reached a maximum of 2 pfu at 21/1330, and returned to background levels around 21/2100 UTC. The enhancement was likely associated with backsided CME activity.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate levels on 22 August. High levels were observed the rest of the period due to a combination of coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and CME effects.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active levels. The period began with mostly quiet conditions on 19 and 20 August. By late on 20 August, the total field component (Bt) increased from 4 nT to 11 nT while the Bz component went south to -10 nT. A corresponding increase in solar wind speed and density was observed at 20/2135 UTC indicating a weak shock arrival from the 18 Aug CME associated with an M1 flare. Subsequently, a geomagnetic sudden impulse (26 nT) was observed on the Boulder magnetometer at 20/2231 UTC. Solar wind speed continued to increase from 380 km/s to near 550 km/s from 21 to 22 August with the total field between 3 and 10 nT while the Bz component varied between +7 nT and -6 nT as a positive polarity CH HSS became geoeffective. Solar wind conditions persisted through mid-day on 23 August reaching a maximum of 610 km/s at 22/0712 UTC. The geomagnetic field responded with unsettled to active levels on 21 August while quiet to active levels were observed on 22 and 23 August. Another weak shock passage (3 nT deviation in total field) was observed at 23/2355 UTC due to the arrival of a glancing blow from the 20 August CME. No significant geomagnetic effects were observed with the shock passage. The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet on 24 and 25 August.

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Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels. A chance for an M-class flare exists with the return of old Region 1817 (S21, L=241) from 02-15 September.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be normal to moderate levels with high levels expected on 27-29 August, 02-07 September, 12-16 September, and again on 19-21 September due to activity associated with recurrent CH HSSs.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet with the exception of quiet to unsettled levels on 26-27 August and 05 September due to CH HSS activity. Unsettled to active levels are expected on 31 August - 02 September, 10-14 September, and again on 17-19 September due to recurrent CH HSS activity.

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2013 Aug 27     105           8          3
2013 Aug 28     100           5          2
2013 Aug 29     100           5          2
2013 Aug 30      95           5          2
2013 Aug 31      90          15          4
2013 Sep 01      90          15          4
2013 Sep 02     100          10          3
2013 Sep 03     105           5          2
2013 Sep 04     105           5          2
2013 Sep 05     110           8          3
2013 Sep 06     115           5          2
2013 Sep 07     120           5          2
2013 Sep 08     125           5          2
2013 Sep 09     125           5          2
2013 Sep 10     125          10          3
2013 Sep 11     125          15          4
2013 Sep 12     125          18          4
2013 Sep 13     125           8          3
2013 Sep 14     125           8          3
2013 Sep 15     120           5          2
2013 Sep 16     115           5          2
2013 Sep 17     115          12          4
2013 Sep 18     110          18          4
2013 Sep 19     105          15          4
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2013 Sep 20	105	5	2
2013 Sep 21	105	5	2

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Solar & Geomagnetic activity forecast
the period August 30 - September 25, 2013

Solar activity will continue to fluctuate at solar flux 100 - 120 s.f.u. during next few weeks. Occurrence of some C class flares is expected, isolated M class flares will be seldom possible.

Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on August 30, September 3 - 5, 7 - 8, 14 - 16, 25,
mostly quiet on September 2, 6, 9, 20 - 22,
quiet to unsettled on September 10 - 11, 17
quiet to active on September 13, 19, 23
active to disturbed on August 31, September 1, 12, 18, 24.

Growing in solar wind may cause remarkable changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere on August 30, September 1 - 2, 5 - 6, 11 - 13, 18 - 20, 23 - 24.

Remarks:
- Parenthesis means lower probability of activity enhancement.
- If during next 9 months solar activity will not reach a similar or higher level as in November 2011, then 2012 will remain to be the maximum of 24 cycle (R = 70) - and vice versa.

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